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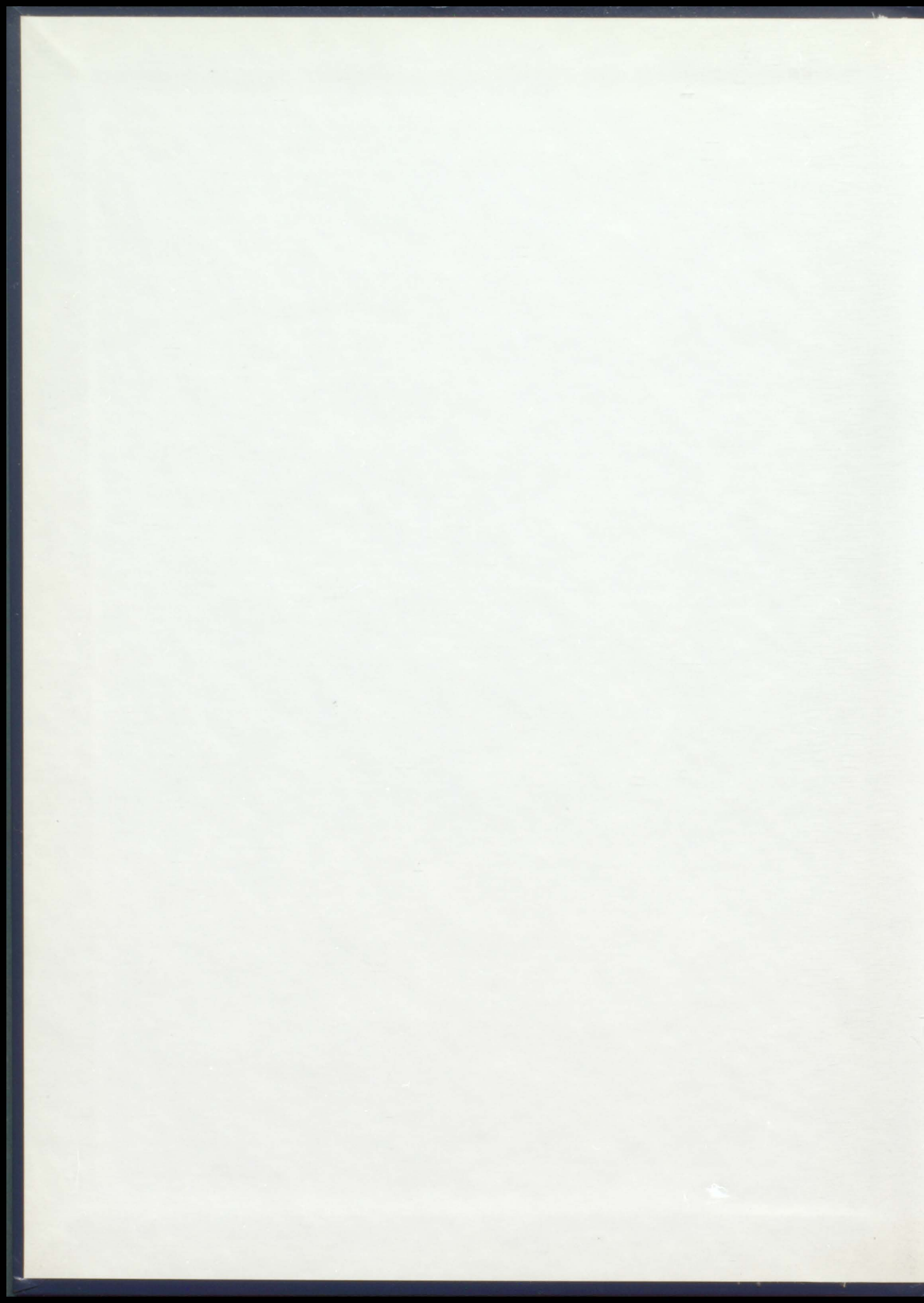
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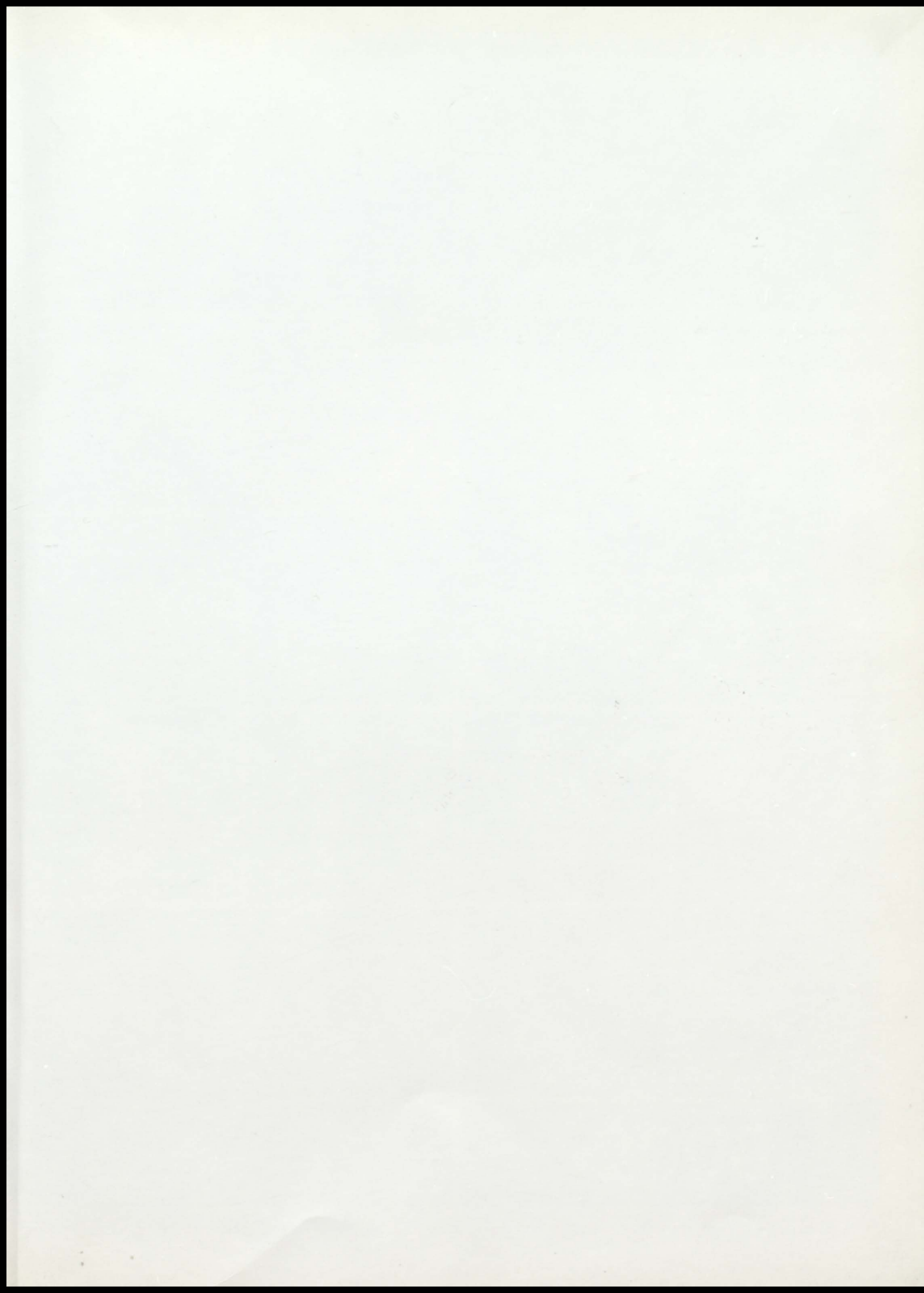
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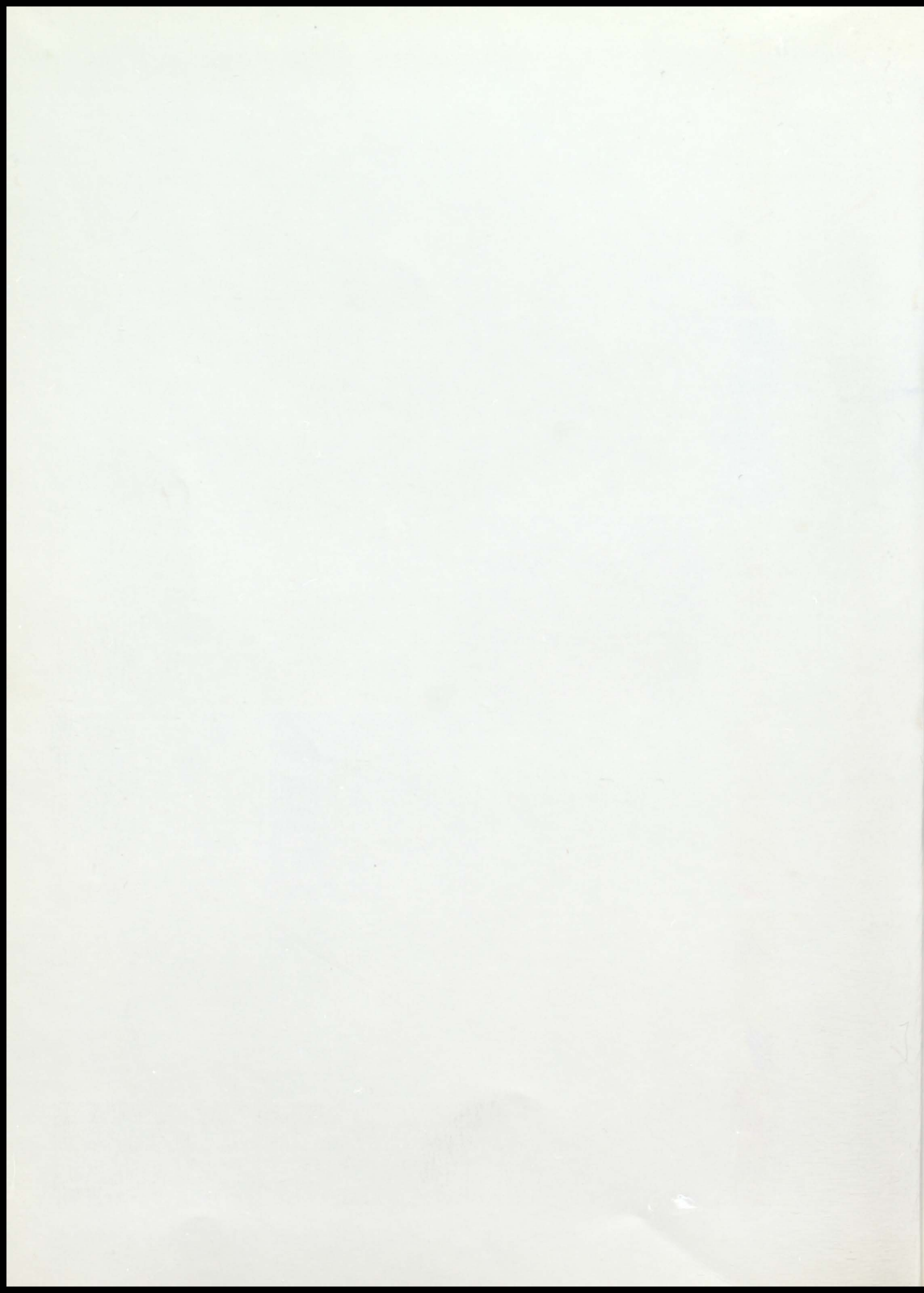
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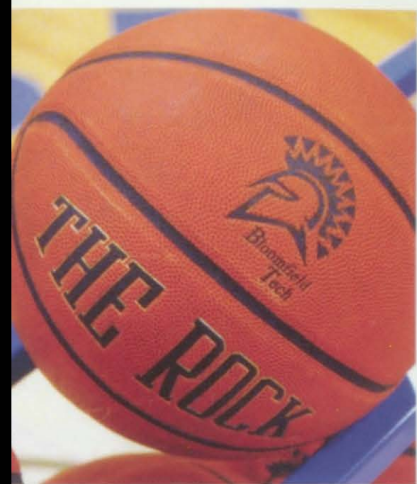
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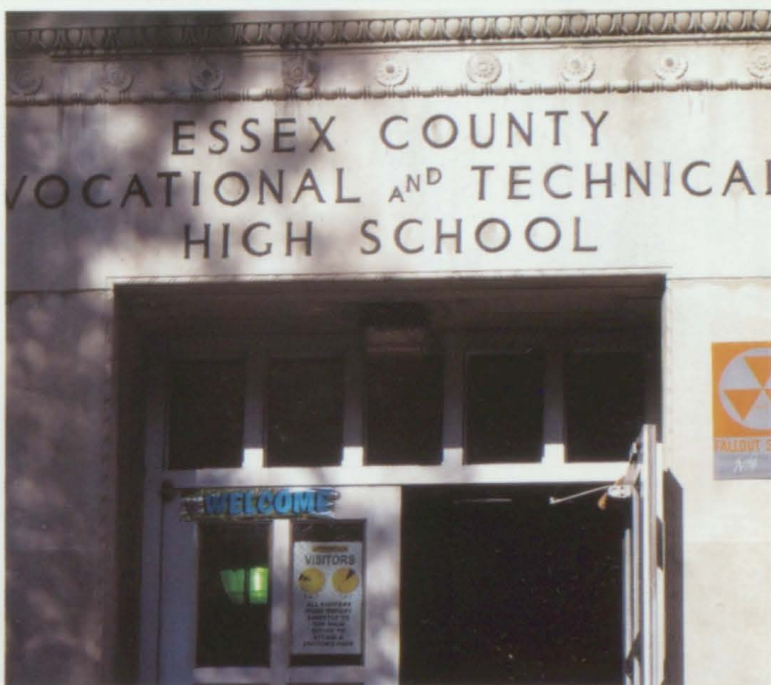
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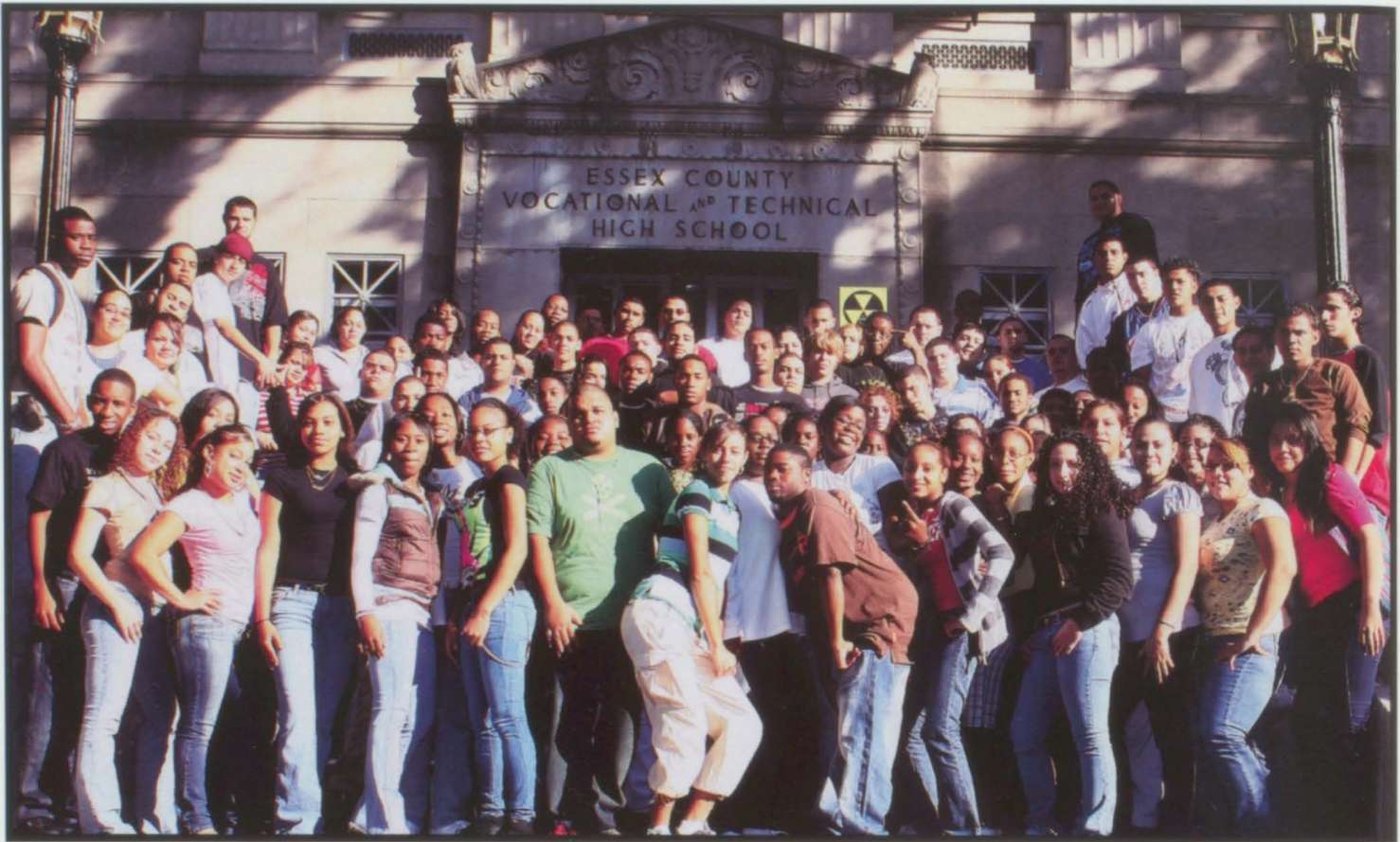


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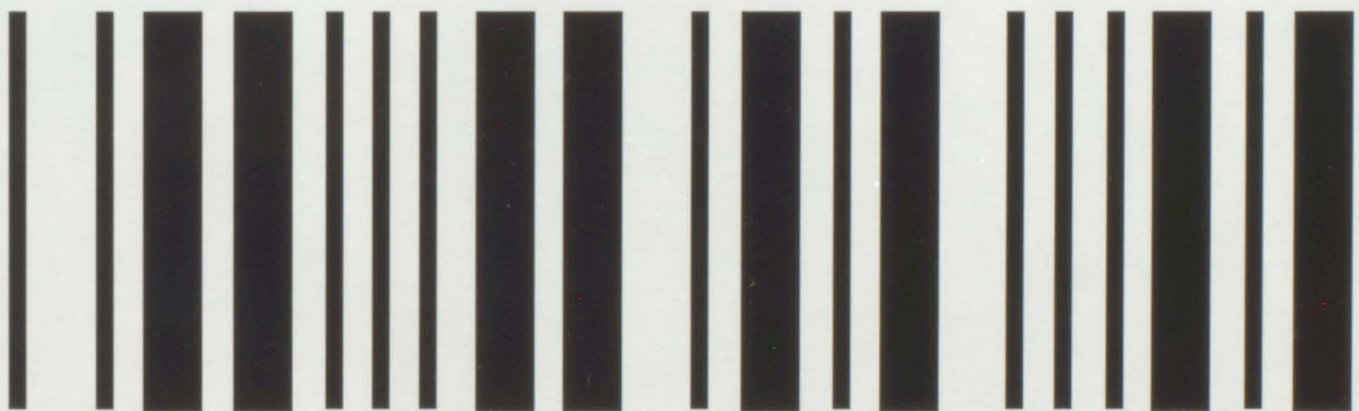
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Bloomfield Tech

SENIORS

Grade: 12

Class Of: 2008



Valid for School Year 07-08

Administration



Mr. Love
Principal

"Congratulations to the class of 2008 on a job well done. You are the first graduating class that I have had the pleasure of being your principal for all four years of your high school experience. You have truly been a remarkable group of young men and women. I feel that all of you have the potential for greatness and will go on to wonderful things. I wish you the best and keep Bloomfield Tech. in your hearts. Go mighty Spartans!"



Ms. Portera
Vice Principal



Ms. Hall
Secretary

Mrs. Serra
Secretary



Guidance



Mrs. Pacio
Guidance
Secretary



Mrs. Acocella
Guidance
Counselor



Mrs. Parisi
Guidance
Counselor



Ms. Evans
Nurse



Dr. Thomason
Psychologist



Jenny, Eva, Zoriada
& Maria
Cafeteria Staff



Dave & C. Cromwell
Not Pictured:
J Wilson
Security Staff



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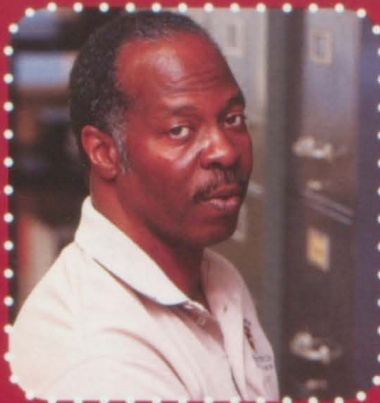


Academic Teachers

PHYS. ED. & Health



Ms. Albano



Mr. Greenwood



Mr. Rudy



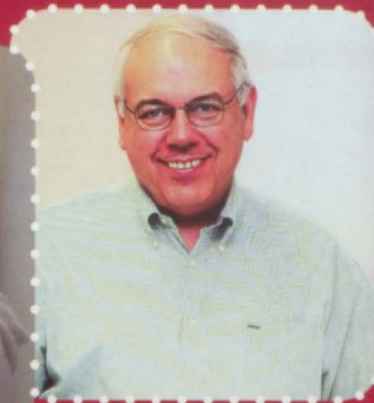
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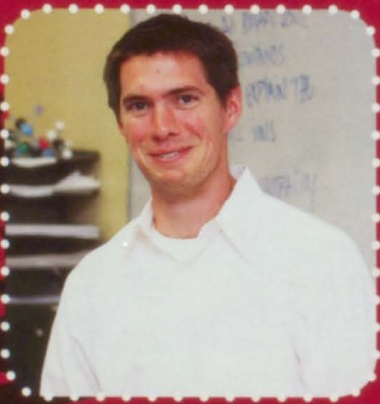


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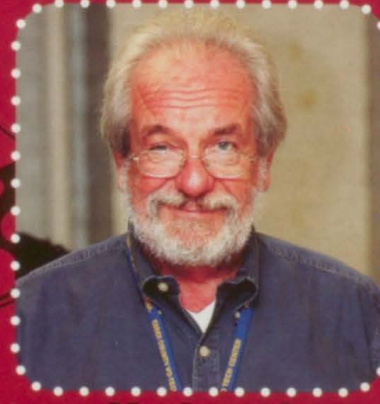
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Mrs. Morales



Mr Jargelo

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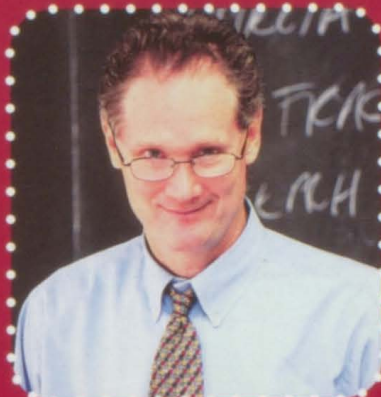
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Ms. White



Ms. Douglas



Mr. Shallcross



Mr. Cucolo

History



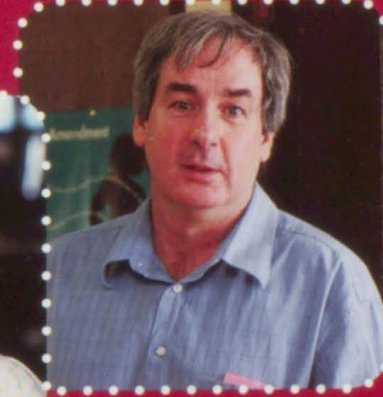
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Ms. Lewis



Mrs. Lauterhahn



Mr. Garry

Buenos Dias



Ms. Cabrea



Mrs. Istivan



Ms. Korn

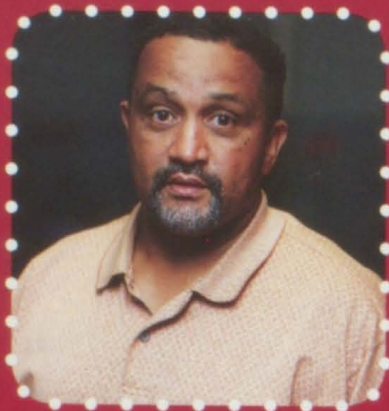
Hola!

Spanish

Como Estas?

Visual And
Performing Arts

Shop Teachers



**Mr. Rasheed
Welding**



**Mr. Romano
Electric**



**Mr. Bertelson
Carpentry**



**Ms. B Morales
Graphic Arts**



**Ms. Bonilla
T.V and Video
Production**



**Ms. Bailey
Advertising &
Design**

**Ms. Sutton
Multimedia**



**Ms. Della Volpe
Advertising &
Design**



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Business**



**Ms. Restaino
Business**



**Ms. Conlon
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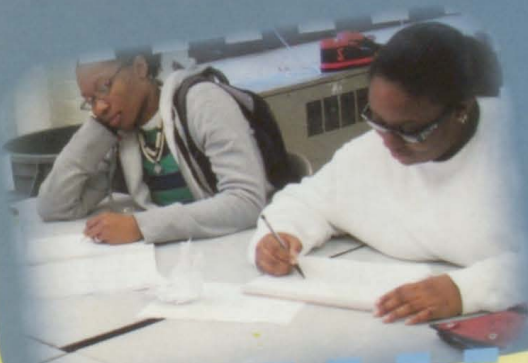
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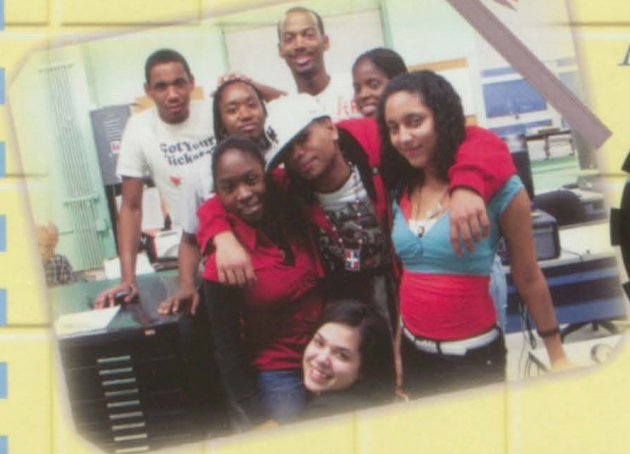
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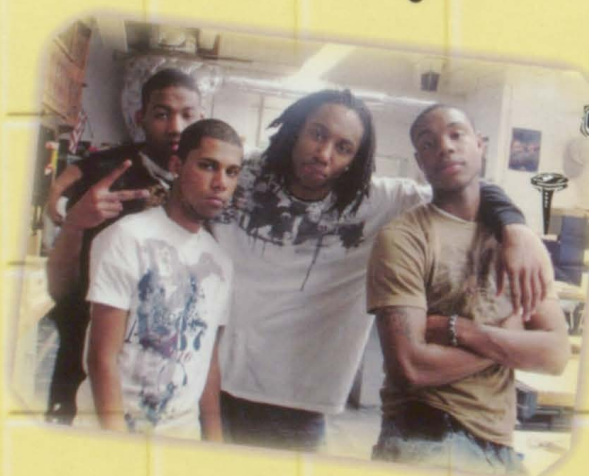
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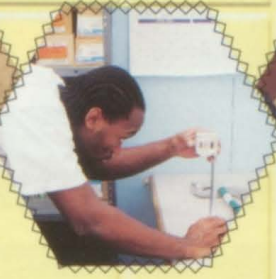
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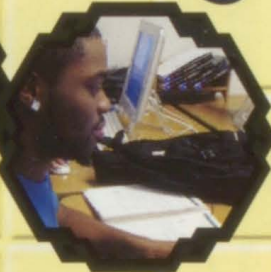
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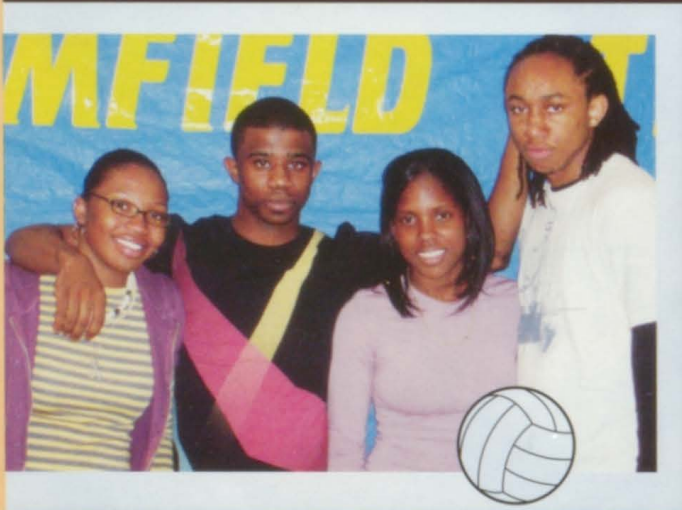


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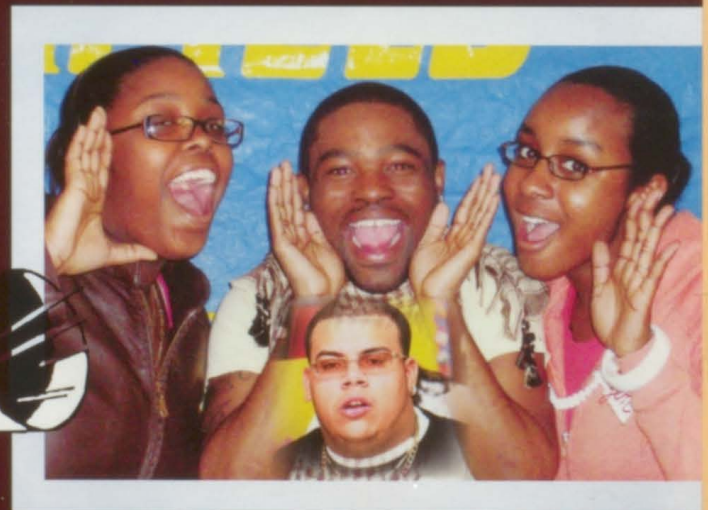
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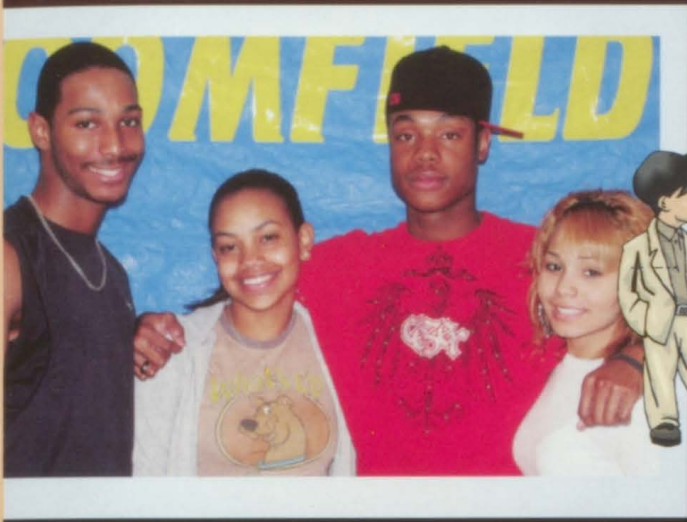
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Teacher's Pet





Best All Around



Most Unique



Quietest





Remember When...

Remember when the boys basketball team and a few audience members had a full out brawl with the basketball team from NY. (crazy!)

Remember when the girls basketball team got disqualified from the playoffs. (tear)

Remember when there was a fight in our first dance freshman year and we had to stay after school in the auditorium. (omg!)

Remember when Mr. Love tried to do the Wu- Tang. (lol)

Remember when we threw water on Ms. White when we had the car wash and she got Mad-der!! (lol)

Remember when we had a blackout sophomore year and Mr. Love sent us home early.

Remember when Ms. Portera let us leave early and then everybody got in trouble afterwards. (lol)

Remember when practically none of the seniors were in school on 4/04/08. (SENIORS "08")

Remember when about 98% of the class past the English part of the HSPA. (Beastin')



R.I.P

Matthew Samuel Mercado

7/20/89 - 3/12/07



memories that are unforgettable



All Eyes on the



Seniors



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Josmary Adames

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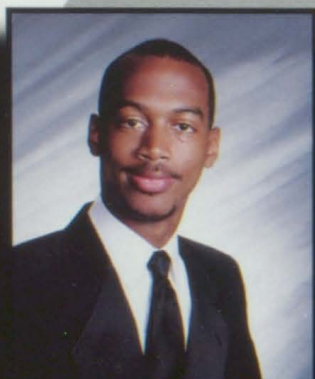
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Miguel Antunes



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Chantel Brown



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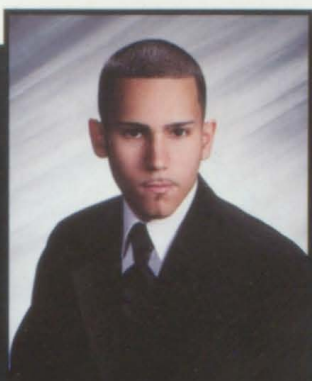
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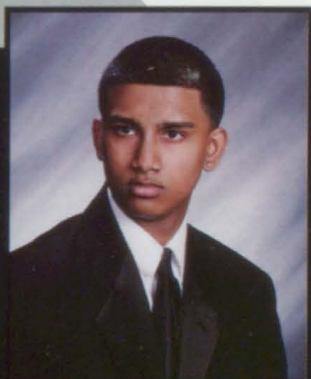


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Gerard Carey



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Gunnar Chacker





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Coker-Ofori*

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Dwayne Curry



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Fazmir Daniels



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Darrian Dodson

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Stephanie Eyong



Business



Frankie Ferreira



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Isaac Cruz



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Joanna Cruz



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Architecture

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Isabela Flores



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Rachel Fredericks

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Lynette Gonzalez



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Xavier Gonzalez

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Richard Guadalupe

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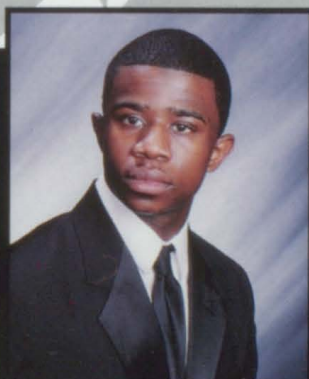


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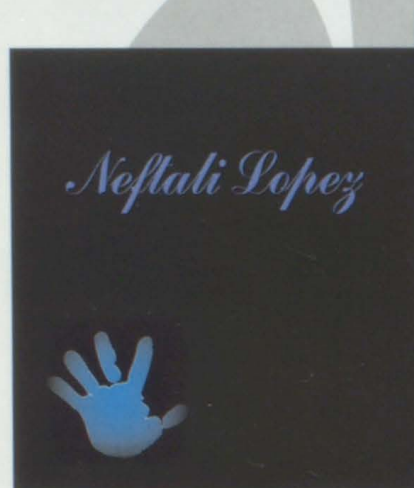
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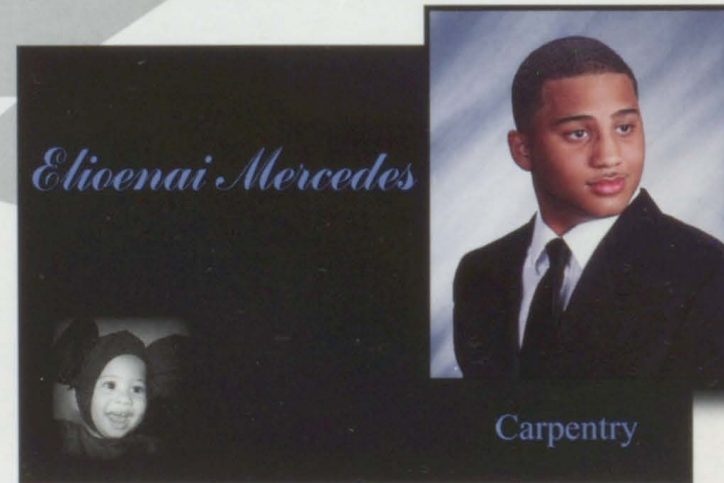
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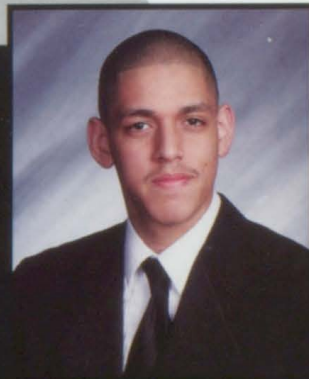
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Jaime Mooloo



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Juan Noroa

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Reginee Powell



Manuel Ramirez



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Architecture

Jesse Overlemans



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Julio Patterson



Business

Glorinel Pena



Raywalie Puran



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Kimberly Rambaran



Business



Machine

Steven Ramos



Architecture

Jose Reyes





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Reynolds*

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Carrie Rivera

Welding



*Elizabeth
Rodriguez*



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Lucia Rodriguez



Architecture



Gabriella Rowe

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Martha Palas

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Gabriel Perrano



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Jesenia Rivera



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Laura Robles



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Ashley Romero



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Gerardo Salgado



Electric



Veronica Santiago



Carpentry



Colin Spence



Electric



Electric

Christopher Sterling





Niria Suazo

Carpentry



Ashley Swanson

Advertising & Design



Pasha Turzani



Advertising & Design



Joseph Walker



Carpentry



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Katherine Willis

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Pride

Passion

Remy Thompson



Graphic Arts

Jahmil Torres



Graphic Arts

Yasmine Ward



Advertising & Design

Troy Webster



Architecture

Vanessa Yamuca



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Amirah Yancey



Architecture

Purpose

Class of
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What it takes to be a



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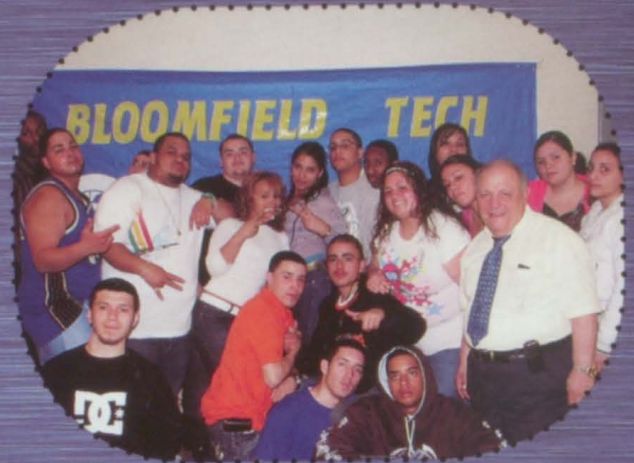
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Yearbook Committee



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Jennifer Otero, Laura Robles

WORK STUDY & CIE



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Novoa, Orlando Gonzalez, Glorinel
Pena, Gabriel Serrano, Xavier
Gonzalez, Nuria Suazo, Manuel
Ramires, Jarrius White, Steven
Ramos, Colin Spence, Jennifer
Martinez, Gina Geronimo, Kelly
Lescano, Katherine Martinez,
Marisela Gonzalez

DECA CLUB



Marline Regalado, Tanisha Keat,
Eunene McCearry, Cydney Jackson,
LaToya Hendricks, Reginee Powell,
Shantea Moore, Crystal Munoz,
Joana Ramirez

Student Council



Courtney Johnson, Shantea
Moore, Zari Pope, Amirah Yancey,
Chantel Brown, Anthony Bush,
Neema Daniels, Nataly Benjamin,
Jamema McGill, Tamara Des
Jardins, Elizabeth Barcelo,
Branden Comerie

Investment Club



Vivian Elcock, Alexandria Fitzgerald, Magdaline Donacien, Emely Abreu, Sherisse Reat, Elioenai Mercedes, Marlos Zamora, Manny Pagan, Kenny Alvarado, Laura Robles

LITERARY MAGAZINE



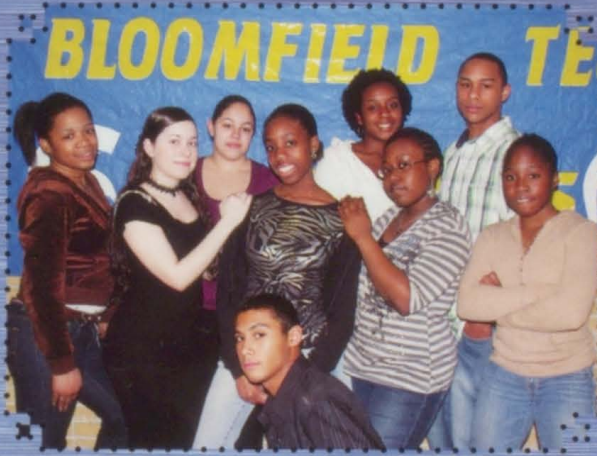
Zari Pope, Marline Regalado, Faatimah Jafiq, Reyes Nunes, Chris Gerena

FBLA



Laura Robles, Reginee Powell, Crystal Munos, Josemary Adams, Kimberly Rambaran, Stephanie Eyong, Rachel Fredericks, Shadira Lamby, Gladys Garcia, Gabriella Rowe, Isabela Flores, Catherine Espinal, Joana Cruz, Shani Austin, Elizabeth Rodriguez

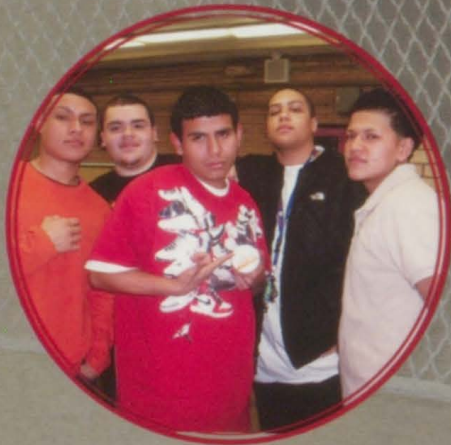
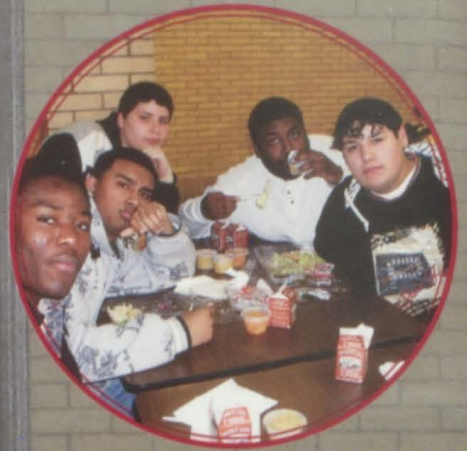
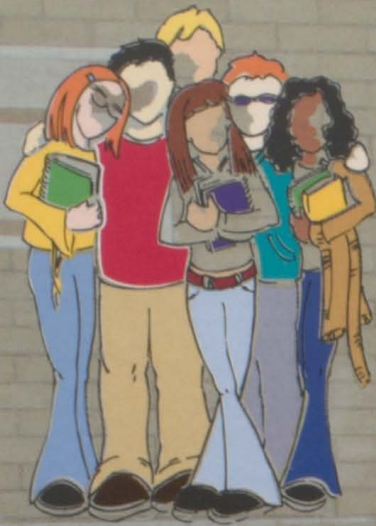
National Honor Society



Jasmin Acevedo, Nataly Benjamin, Branden Boyer Comerie, Magdaline L. Donacien, Viviana Elcock, Catherine Espinal, Alexander Fitzgerald, Rachel Fredericks, Melissa M. Mazariegos, Andre L. Perez

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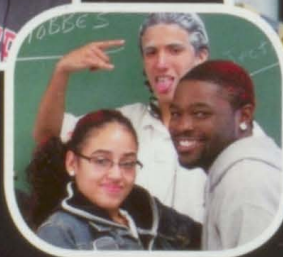
Spirit Week

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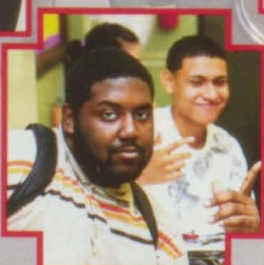
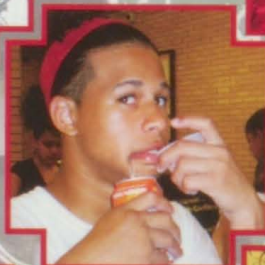
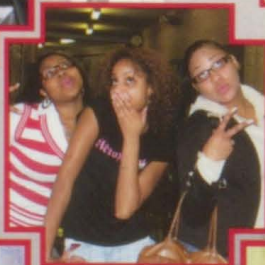
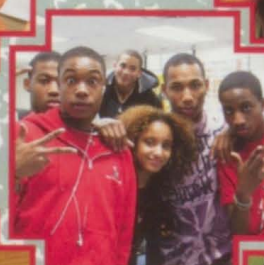
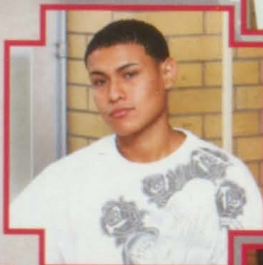
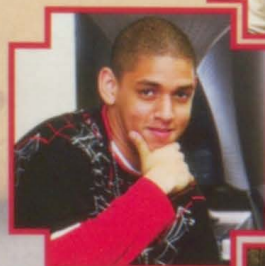
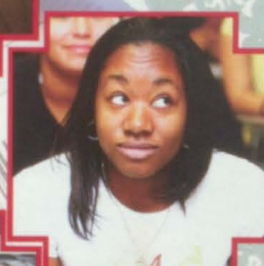


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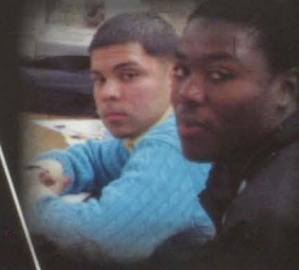
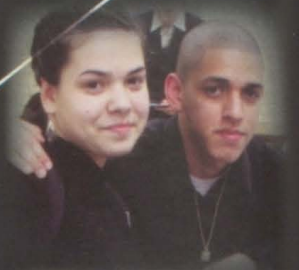
Alias: A hard-working student

Mission: TO HAVE FUN!!!



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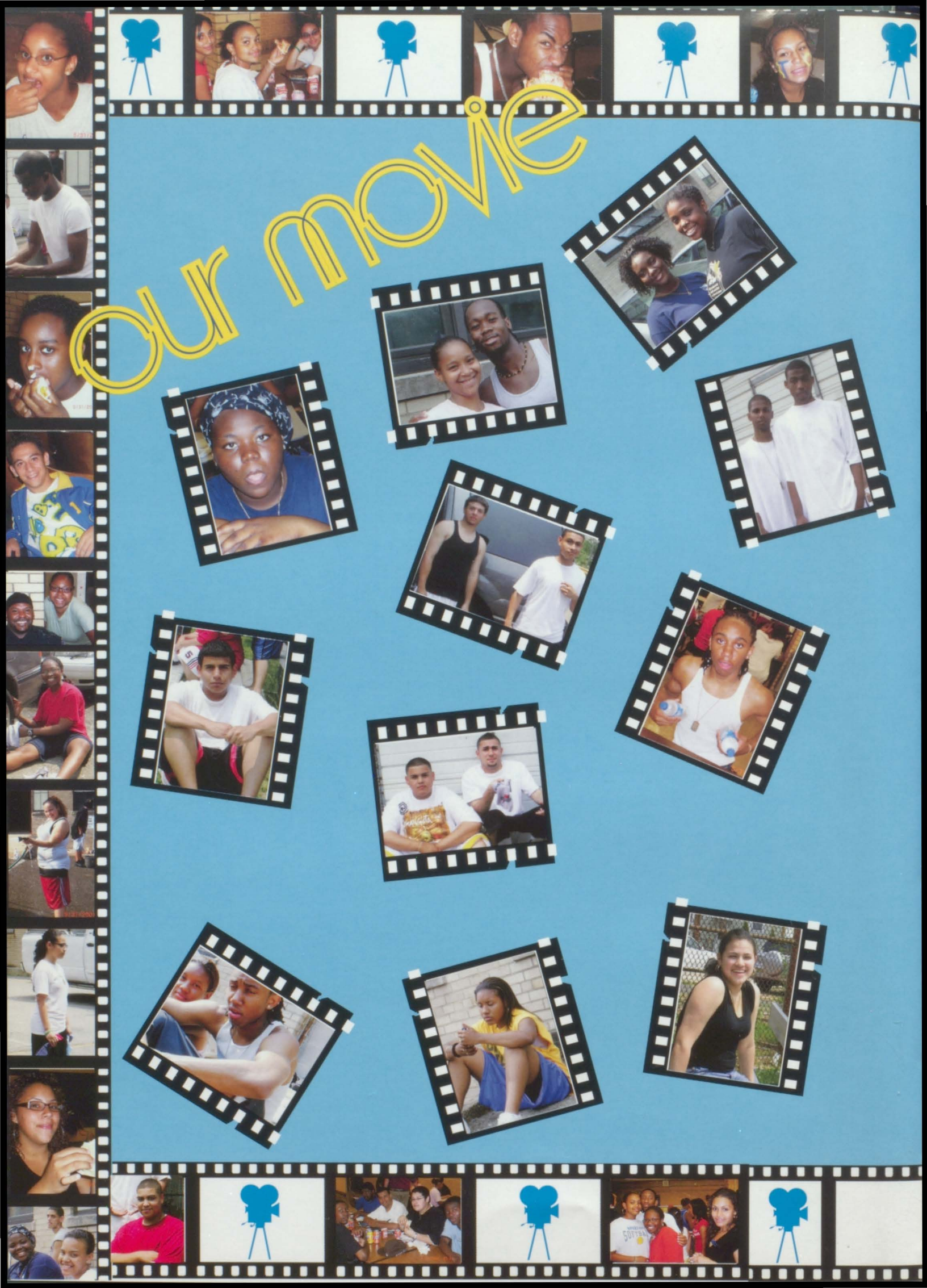


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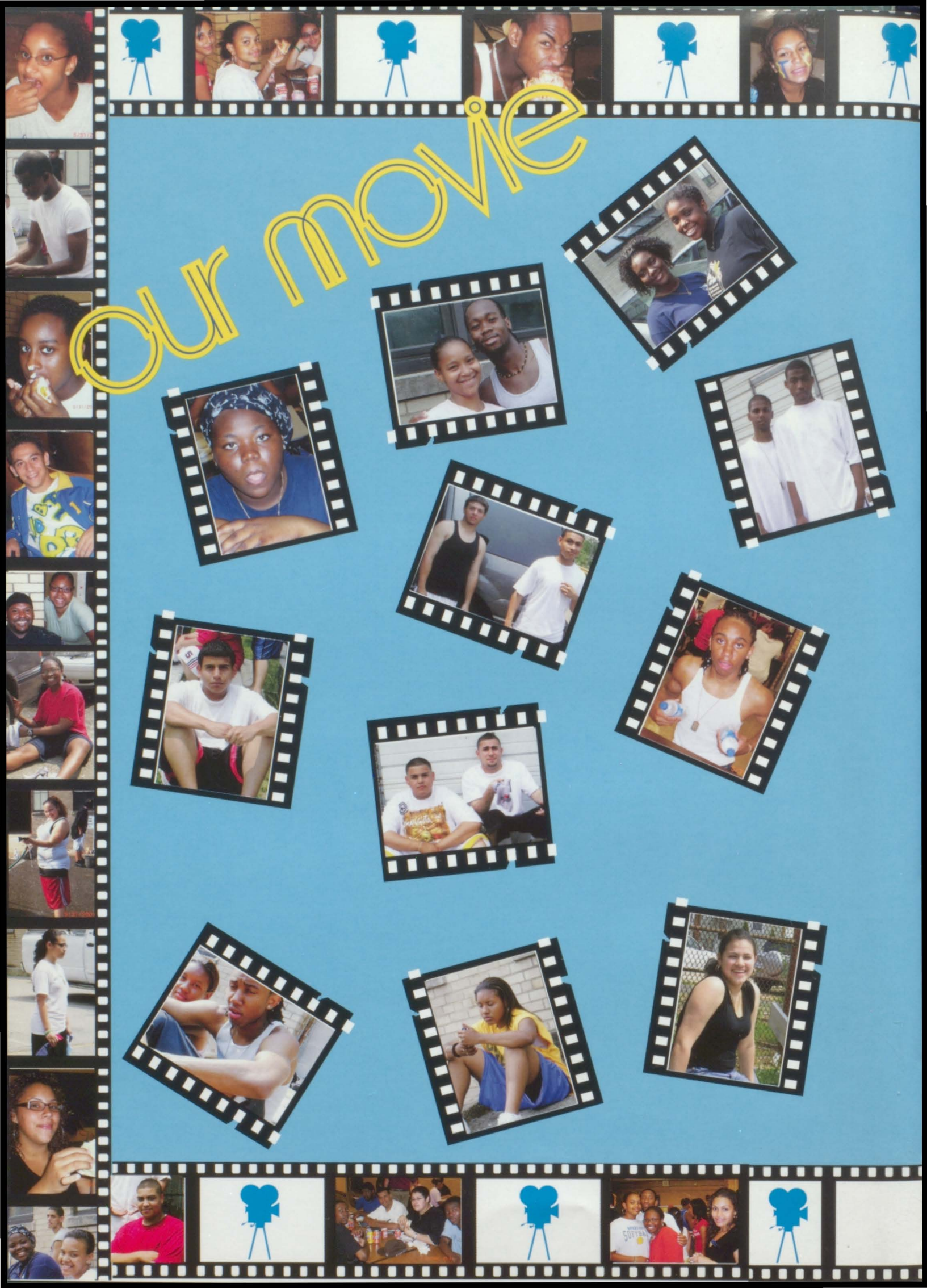


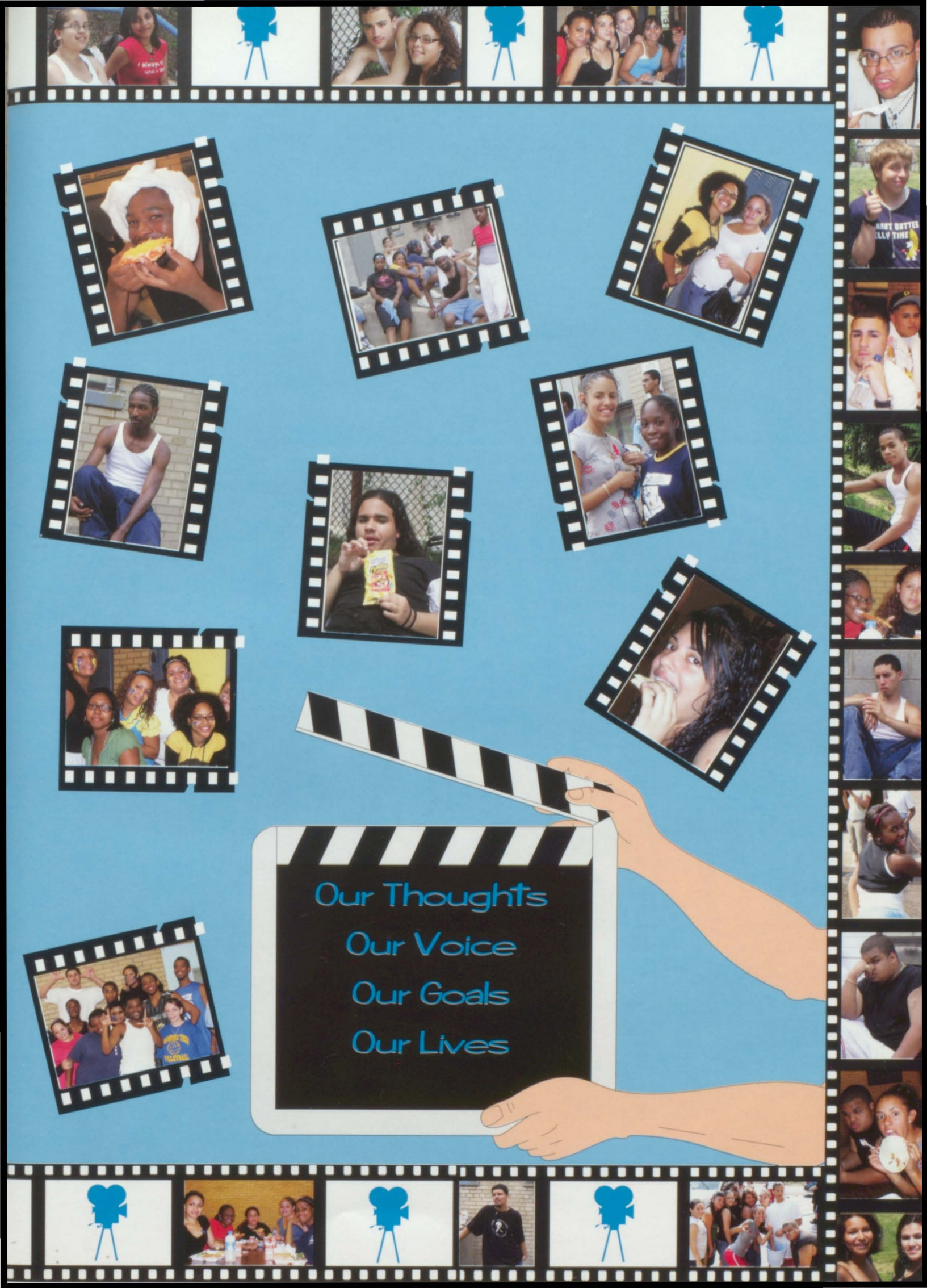


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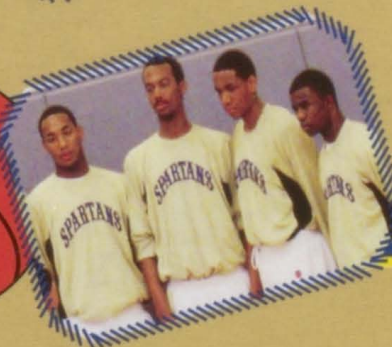
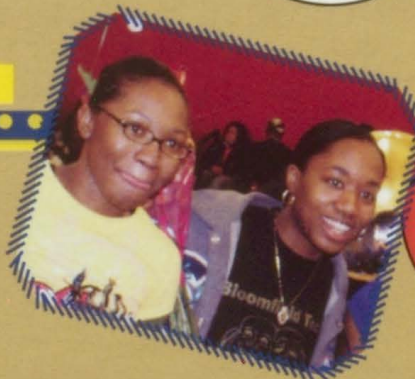
Our Thoughts
Our Voice
Our Goals
Our Lives



Life

Random

Spartan Sports



WHERE CHAMPIONS ARE BORN!

Volleyball



The 2007-2008 Spartan Volleyball team had success because of their hard work and dedication. The loss of the following Seniors will surely be felt: Laura Robles, Chantel Brown, Isabela Flores, Viviana Elcock, Carrie Rivera, Ashley Swanson, Veronica Santiago and especially Amirah Yancey, Scorekeeper, Line Judge, Etc.!! The team placed second in the North Jersey Interscholastic League. Ashley Swanson and Veronica Santiago received First Team Honors. Also, Viviana Elcock and Carrie Rivera received Honorable Mentions. Veronica Santiago was also named to the All-Tournament Team for the Vocational Volleyball tournament.

-Ms. Albano, Varsity Coach



Time

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Lady
Spartans



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2008 Lady Spartans

The team showed great determination throughout the season. The girls were a mix of new players willing to learn and veterans ready to lead. We competed in every game and look forward to more success next year.

Mr. Garry, JV Coach



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Pedro



Edwin



Danny

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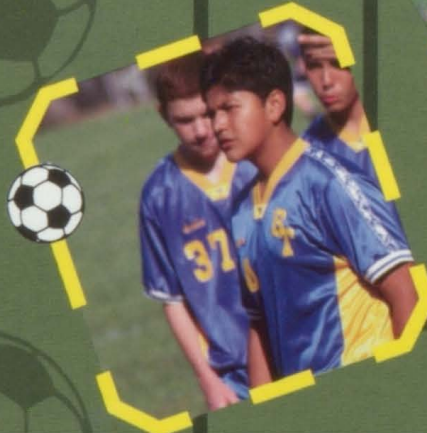
Flavio

I would like to thank the team for this year's efforts, including all the seniors for their hard work and dedication. The team's best wishes will be with them as they move on to their future endeavours.

-Rudy

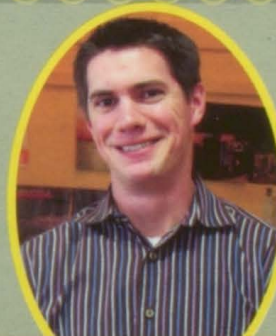


Mr. Rudy



We had a very successful season and I am proud of the effort that each player put forth. I wish all the seniors the best of luck and hope that they continue to pursue their passion for this great sport.

-Menadier



Mr. Menadier

Girls Basketball



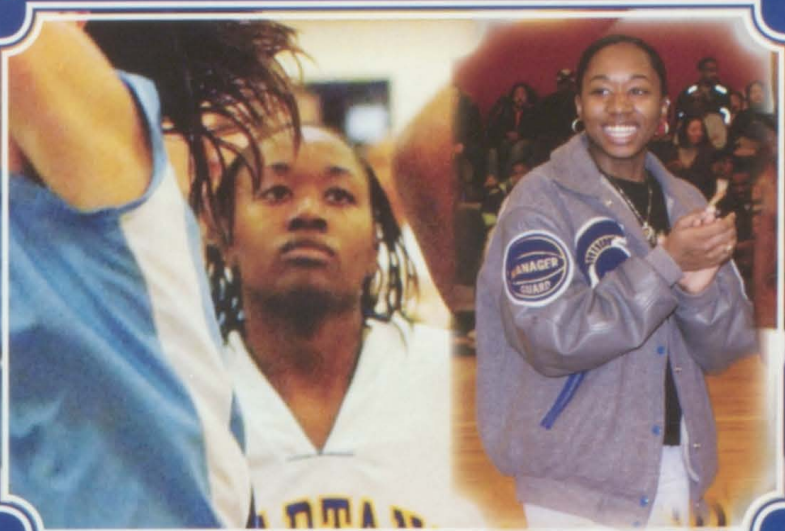
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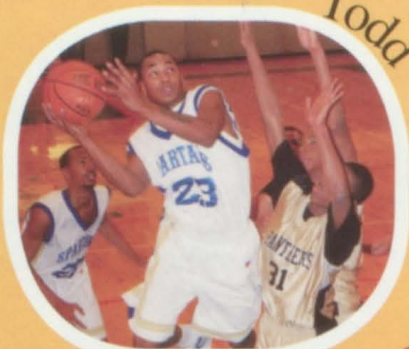
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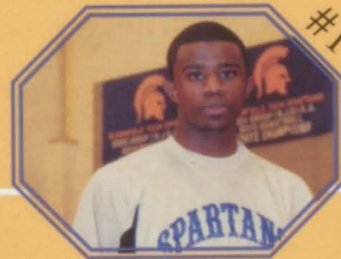
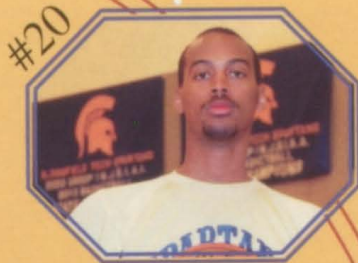
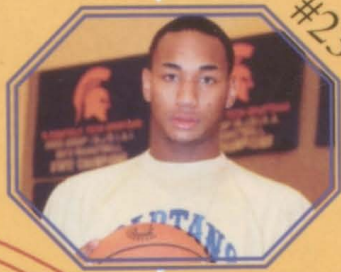


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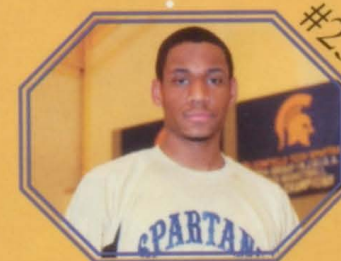
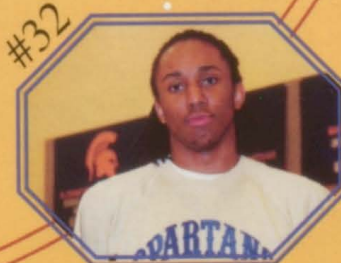
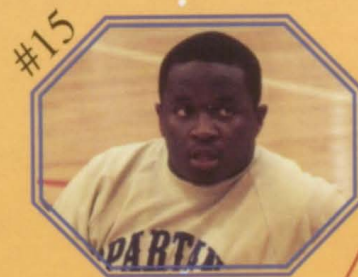


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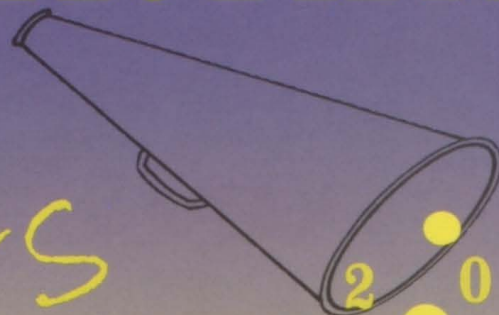
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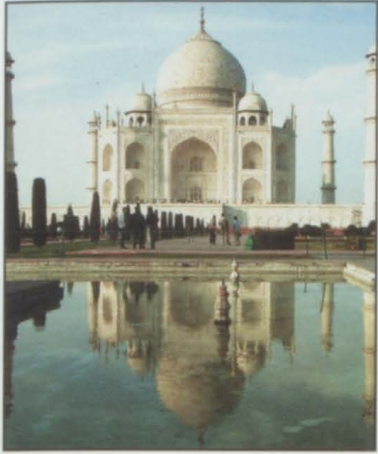
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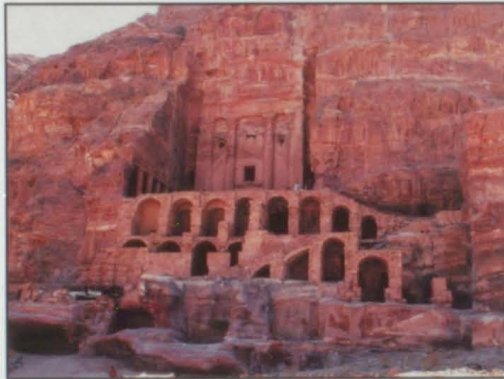


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More than 90 million votes were cast when the world was asked to name the "New Seven Wonders of the World." The man-made sites selected include the Coliseum in Rome, Mexico's Chichen Itza, Petra in Jordan, Peru's Machu Picchu, the Taj Mahal in India, Christ the Redeemer Statue in Brazil, and The Great Wall of China.



A team of 30 physicians worked 24 hours to remove extra limbs from a two-year old born with eight limbs.



The bald eagle was removed from the endangered species list after 30 years.



The first Baby Boomers became eligible to apply for Social Security benefits, beginning a stress on the system.



Steve Jobs introduces the MacBook Air, the world's thinnest notebook computer at January's Macworld.



WORLD events



October wildfires, which forced evacuation of nearly 1 million people, burned more than 600 square miles and destroyed as many as 1,500 homes over 19 days in Southern California. Santa Ana winds and extreme drought worsened the impact of the fires; nine people were killed and 85 others — including at least 61 firefighters — were injured.

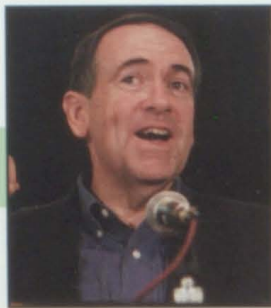
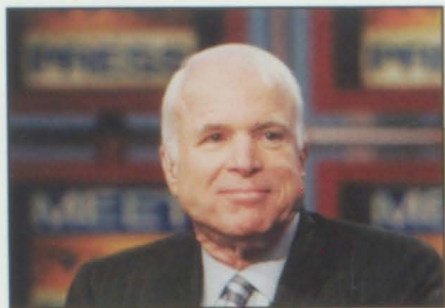


Researchers in South Korea cloned a cat and modified its genes so that it glows red in ultraviolet light.



The space shuttle Endeavor landed safely in August despite exterior damage that had worried NASA.

John McCain emerged from "Super Tuesday" as a strong favorite among Republicans. Mike Huckabee remained his only challenger for the party nomination after Mitt Romney suspended his campaign.



Even after "Super Tuesday" and the Potomac Primaries, the race between Hillary Clinton and Barack Obama for the Democratic presidential nomination was too close to call.



The Billy Graham Library was dedicated in NC in June less than two weeks before the evangelist's wife, Ruth, died.



Cristina Fernandez is Argentina's first elected female president.



Tesla Motors, a Silicon Valley start-up, pre-sold all 600 of its \$98,000 all-electric Roadsters set for production in 2008.



British Prime Minister Tony Blair resigned after 13 years in office.



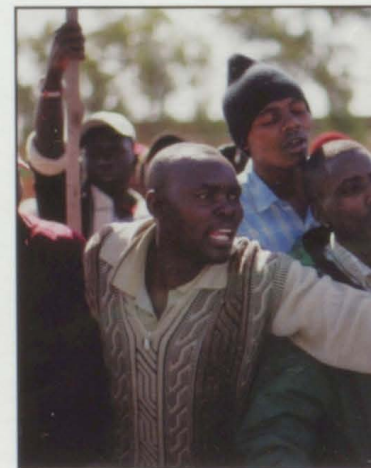
Scientists in Moscow unveiled the remains of a frozen mammoth found in Siberian tundra in May. A reindeer herder found the frozen carcass, which been dated back 10,000 years to the end of the last Ice Age.



Researchers uncovered two new species — a giant rat and a tiny possum — in a remote jungle in Indonesia in June.



Former Pakistani Prime Minister Benazir Bhutto was assassinated.



The disputed December re-election of president Mwai Kibaki caused unrest and violence in Kenya.



Unusual cold plagued Iraq. Baghdad first snow in memory magnified impact of persistent electrical outage.

Great Britain banned smoking in enclosed public spaces in July. Individuals caught violating the law will be fined \$400.



Nintendo's profit doubled this year, thanks to sales of 20 million Wii devices.



Meteorologists blame this winter's tornados across the South on La Niña (the cooling of Pacific waters).



Internet service in Asia, the Middle East and northern Africa was interrupted when an undersea Mediterranean cable failed in January. Many businesses were brought to a standstill, but most Middle East governments had backup satellite systems that minimized the impact.

After an eight-year legal battle, a major power company agreed to spend \$4.6 billion to reduce chemical emissions blamed for spreading acid rain across the Northeast.

Velib', a program that has nearly 20,000 bicycles posted at 750 stations around Paris is Socialist Mayor Bertrand Delanoe's latest effort to make his city more green and bike-friendly. The program allows Parisians and tourists to use the bikes for a minimal fee.

Astronaut Daniel Tani experienced something no other American has ever faced when his 90-year-old mother was killed in a Chicago train accident in December while he was in orbit aboard the international space station.

The Homeland Security Department announced plans for its REAL ID Act, which is designed to make it harder for con artists, illegal immigrants and terrorists to get government-issued IDs. The plan will increase requirements of people applying for drivers licenses.

New words inducted into the English language in 2007 by Merriam-Webster included "ginormous" (a contraction of sorts of gigantic and enormous), "Bollywood," "sudoku" and "speed dating". In all, nearly 100 words were added to the company's collegiate dictionary.



The entire span of an interstate bridge broke into sections and collapsed into the Mississippi River during the evening rush hour in Minneapolis. The August 2 catastrophe killed 13, injured more than 60 and called for light deficiencies in many of America's bridges needing repair.

The national debt expanded roughly \$1.4 billion a day, nearly \$1 million a minute. Economists said that an economic slowdown may be looming and that higher taxes or cuts in government programs are possible.

Oil prices hit a new high of \$100 a barrel when the markets welcomed 2008. The previous record, \$99.29, was set in November, 2007 as the year ended with the decade's largest annual price increase. A falling dollar, violence in Nigeria and bad weather in Mexico were among the causes of the drop in U.S. crude supplies.

Medical researchers decoded the DNA of the cat and anticipate new information in the search for treatments to both feline and human diseases.

In Spain, a new \$179 million telescope became operational in July. The Great Canary Telescope took seven years to build and construction involved more than 1,000 employees from nearly 100 companies worldwide.

At the Consumer Electronic Show, inventors demonstrated a driverless car and a \$2,500 11-inch light-emitting diode television which offers contrast more than 30 times sharper than a current screen.

A Bend, Oregon man flew 193 miles toward Idaho in a lawn chair lifted by 105 helium balloons. During his nine-hour trip, 47-year-old Kent Couch used a GPS and a BB gun and he took his video camera along to prove he'd flown. The trip was Couch's second; in September, he was aloft six hours.

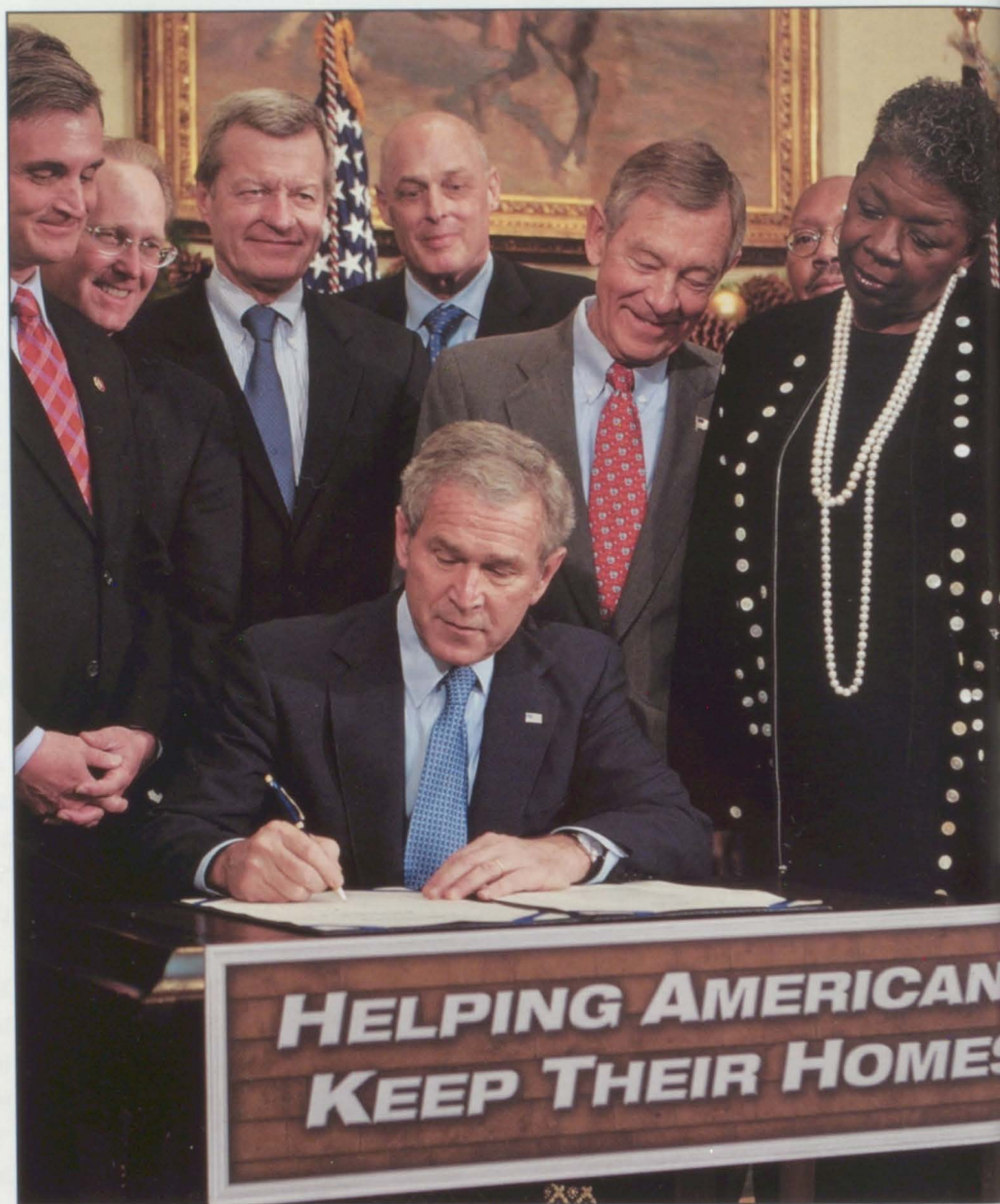
After just 40 years in existence, more than 1.5 million ATM machines simplify life.



Concern about lead-based paints caused world-wide recalls of millions of toys produced in China.



Ice storms crippled the Midwest with freezing rain coated electrical wires causing far-reaching power outages.

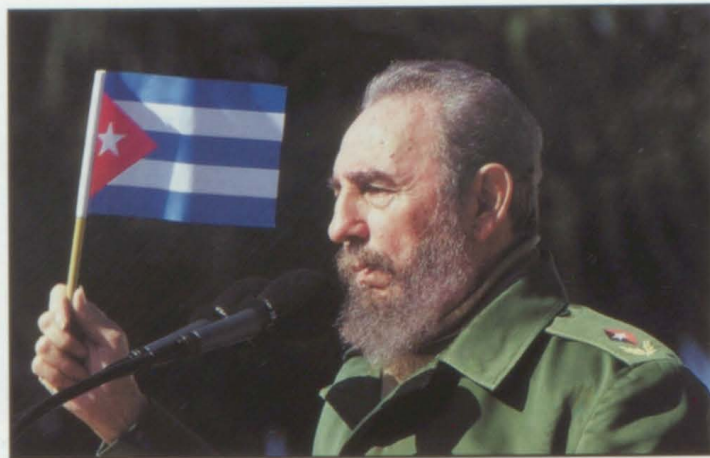


Both the House and the Senate approved a \$146 billion economic stimulus package which called for one-time tax rebates aimed at rejuvenating the economy. The rebates were expected to begin arriving in early summer. The plan also included temporary tax breaks for businesses and measures to help struggling homeowners.

ing an increasingly polarized Middle East, more than 45 nations attended November peace talks in Annapolis.

In his final year as Russia's president Vladimir Putin was named Person of The Year by "Time" magazine.

Fidel Castro, Cuba's leader since 1959, announced in February that he would "not aspire to nor accept" another term as President. Days later his brother Raul was elected the new President of Cuba.



Former VP Al Gore and the UN's Panel on Climate Change shared the Nobel Peace Prize.

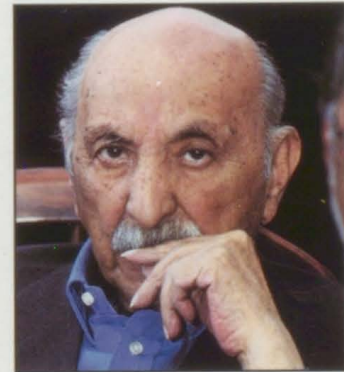
Chrysler announced cuts of 15% of its workforce in November, following February layoffs.



The long winter drought and July heat wave across central and southeast Europe took temperatures as high as 115° F, caused fires and contributed to the deaths of more than 500 in Hungary alone. At the same time, it was flooding in Britain.

A standoff in Hillary Clinton's New Hampshire campaign offices ended without incident.

Jordanian and Israeli farmers used barn owls to control the crop-eating rat population.



A week of heavy November rains caused rivers to overflow and left 70% of the Mexican state of Tabasco underwater.

The August collapse of Utah's Crandall Canyon coal mine killed six miners and three rescue workers.

Mohammed Zahir Shah, the last king of Afghanistan, died in July after reigning for 40 years.

Boeing Co. unveiled its first new model since 1995; the Dreamliner 787 will enter service in 2008.

U.S. military troop casualties numbered at least 3,941 since the beginning of the Iraq war in March 2003.



Scientists have discovered 11 new species of plants and animals in central Vietnam.



After selling more than 525,000 iPhones in the first weekend of their release, Apple moved into third position in the global smartphone market by year's end. More than 4 million iPhones were distributed in the first six months.



The UN convened in an emergency session on human rights abuses after protests and violence in Myanmar.



A wireless memory card won "Last Gadget Standing" honors at the electronics show.



India-based Tata Motors rolled out its no-frills Nano this year, but the car will not be available in American markets.



Polaroid announced it will stop making film for its instant cameras.



The worst wildfires ever in Greece killed more than 64 people, destroyed hundreds of homes in southern villages and burned more of the country's rapidly dwindling forestland than in any single year on record.



In December, a Rhode Island couple dining on clams found a rare purple pearl; a 1-in-2-million find.



Lady Bird Johnson, the widow of former President Lyndon Baines Johnson, died at 94.

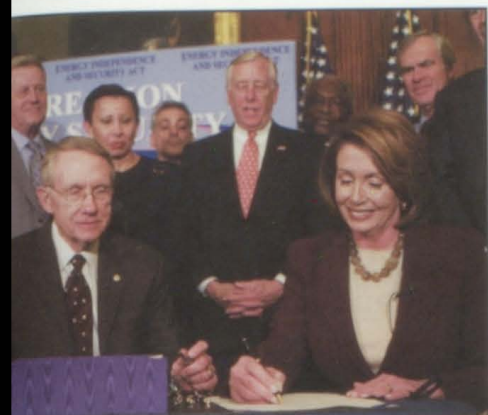


Issues of discrimination and differential treatment were central to Jena 6 protests in Louisiana.



The world's largest solar farm was planned for Fresno, California, where the 640-acre farm would power local cities.

Speaker of the House Nancy Pelosi, D-California, signed legislation that will increase fuel economy, raising mileage standards 40 percent to 35 mpg.



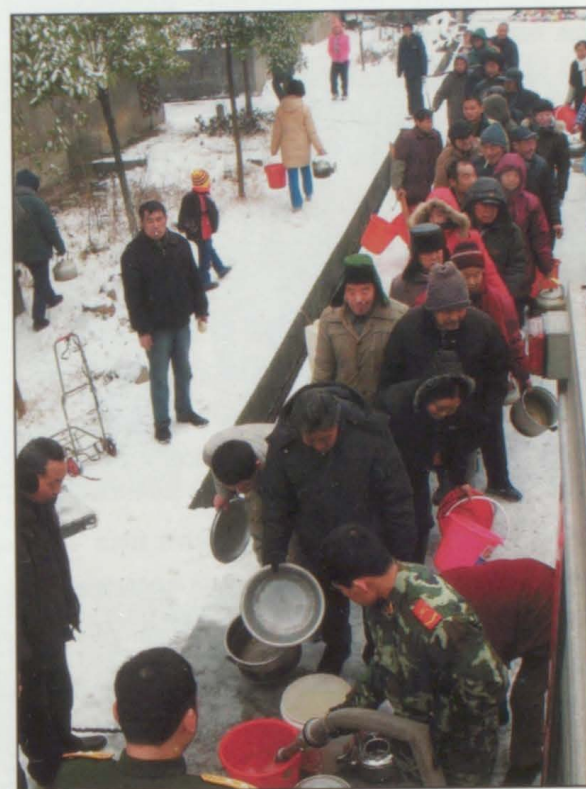
When Palestinian militants breached the Gaza-Egypt border wall, thousands of refugees poured into Egypt for supplies.



Lamborghini unveiled its Reventon sports car at the Frankfurt Motor Show in September. They will produce only 20 of these cars to be sold for \$1.4 million each.



Climate changes appear to be destabilizing vast ice sheets in western Antarctica, which worries researchers who had previously believed the area was protected from global warming. They say the melt is more dramatic than previously imagined.



February blizzards in China paralyzed roads, railways and airports in a region used to mild winters. Officials fear economic losses may reach \$3 billion.



Missing adventurer Steve Fossett was declared dead in February.



Sir Edmund Hillary, the first to successfully scale Mount Everest, passed away at 88.

2007 was the year of the threequel. Five of the six top-grossing films were continuations of previous storylines. "Spider-Man 3", "Shrek the Third", "Pirates of the Caribbean: At World's End" and "The Bourne Ultimatum" brought millions of viewers to theaters across the country. Harry Potter films extended past the threequel; "The Order of the Phoenix" was the series' fifth installment.

The announcement of the Golden Globes, usually the first Hollywood awards extravaganza of the season, was reduced to an hour-long press conference at the Beverly Hilton on Jan. 13 because of the writers strike. The red carpets were rolled out just six weeks later for the Academy Awards after the strike ended.

The DVD market experienced its first-ever decline when sales/rentals dropped 2% to \$23.7 billion, yet it generated more sales than music, video games or the theatrical box office.

Kelly Clarkson, the season one winner from "American Idol", cancelled her 36-date summer arena tour saying, "Touring is just too much right now." Her third album, "My December," was released in June and certified platinum by year's end.

Actor Dennis Quaid and his wife Kimberly sued Baxter Healthcare Corp. after their newborn twins were given an overdose of the blood thinner Heparin because the vials containing different doses of the drug were packaged too similarly. The Quaid twins recovered, but investigators learned that a number of infants had died following similar situations.

The world bid farewell to entertainer-turned-gameshow producer Merv Griffin, larger-than-life tenor Luciano Pavarotti, French mime Marcel Marceau, daredevil and stuntman Evel Knievel and controversial rock pioneer Ike Turner.

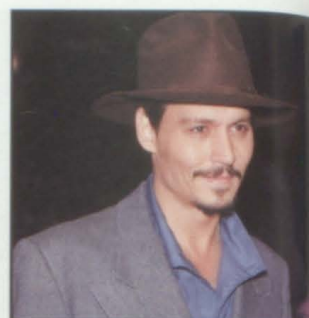
Top-selling Country Artist Carrie Underwood announced plans for a pair of 2008 tours.



"No Country for Old Men" swept Hollywood awards, concluding with the Oscar for Best Picture.



Johnny Depp was Hollywood's top money maker, said Quigley Publishing's 2007 annual poll.



Sony's "Spider-Man 3" was America's top grossing film of the year. Starring Tobey Maguire, Kirsten Dunst and Topher Grace, the film was released May 4, 2007. Although it received mixed reviews from critics, Spider-Man 3 broke most of the opening weekend records, both in U.S. and foreign markets.



Live Earth created a global musical audience on July 7, 2007; the 24 hours of music across seven continents was delivered with a call to combat the climate crisis.



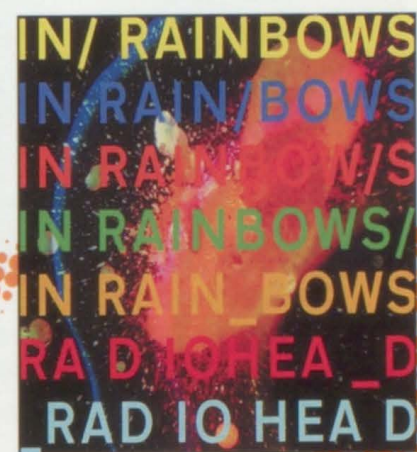
America Ferrera's Best Actress in a Comedy was one of 11 "Ugly Betty" Emmy nominations.

"High School Musical 2" premiered as the most-watched basic cable telecast in history. The movie, which attracted 17.24 million viewers, featured Zac Efron, Vanessa Hudgens and friends. "High School Musical 3", a full-length feature film and "High School Musical 4" are being planned.

The Police reunion tour, which sold more than 1.8 million tickets, earned more than any other concert tour.



Radiohead released their seventh album, "In Rainbows," online (set your own price) and followed with a box set.



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Kanye West's album "Graduation" sold more copies (957,000) in its first week than any other since 2005.



After 50 years on daytime TV, Bob Barker retired as the host of "The Price is Right" in June, 2007 at 83.



Miley Cyrus' tour included songs from her album and her "Hannah Montana" TV show.



Officials said that the death of actor Heath Ledger, found in his NYC apartment in January, was accidental.

POPULAR TV SHOWS

30 Rock
Dancing With The Stars
CSI
Grey's Anatomy
Lost
Heroes
Friday Night Lights
House
The Office

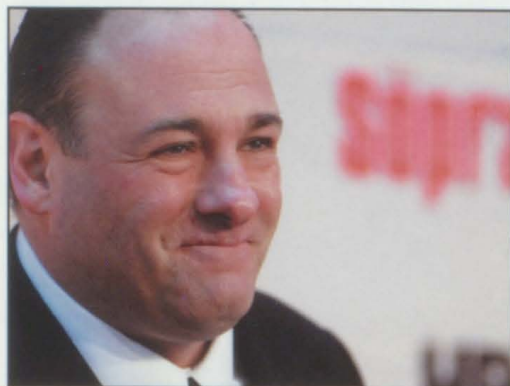
HIT MOVIES

Hairspray
Bee Movie
Alvin and the Chipmunks
The Simpsons Movie
Rush Hour 3
National Treasure:
Book of Secrets
I Am Legend
Enchanted

TOP ALBUMS

Nickelback: All the Right Reasons
Josh Groban: Noel
Gwen Stefani: The Sweet Escape
Norah Jones: Not Too Late
Linkin Park: Minutes To Midnight
Rascal Flatts:
Me and My Gang
Taylor Swift: Taylor Swift
MercyMe: All That Is Within Me

Princes Harry and William held a concert in honor of their mother. The July fundraiser was held on the 46th anniversary of Princess Diana's birth.



"The Sopranos", an HBO series which broke rules, told complex stories and both changed and enforced stereotypes, ended after six seasons.



The Spice Girls, the original "Girl Power" band of the 1990s, reunited for an 11-show world tour of their first concerts since they broke up in 2001.

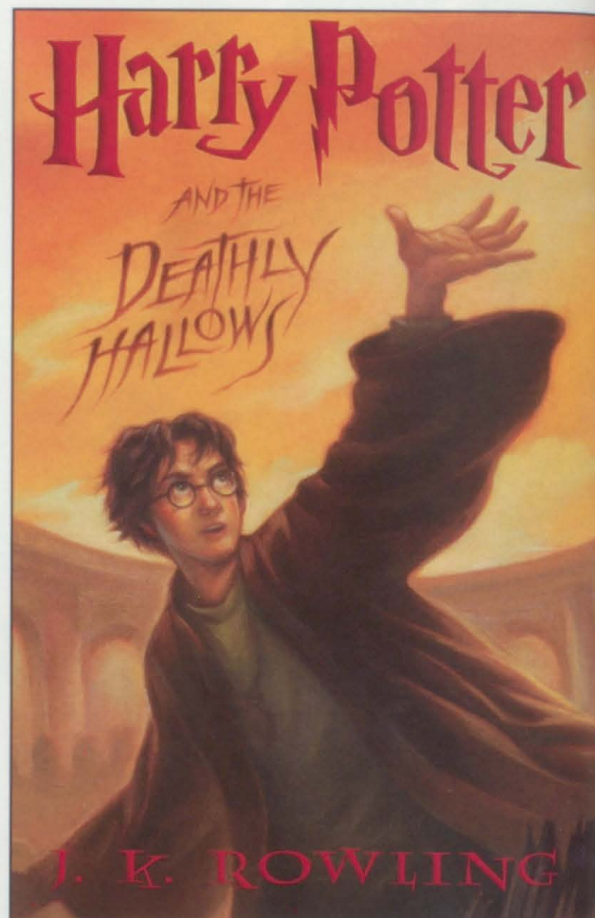


After appearing on the Ellen DeGeneres Show to kick off their first headlining tour, New Jersey's Jonas Brothers launched an ambitious schedule.

Marvel Comics buried Captain America in July after 66 years of heroics.



Fergie's "Big Girls Don't Cry" was her third #1 and the year's most downloaded track.



The seventh and final volume in the Harry Potter series set all-time records in book sales in July, tallying more than 8.3 million books sold in the first 24 hours.



Breakout Shia LaBeouf starred in "Disturbia" and "Transformers."



Endorsement deals landed Beyonce at #5 on the list of "Cash Queens of Music."

nearly four months on strike, the Writers Guild of America and the Alliance of Motion Picture and Television Producers reached a settlement on Feb. 12. Production halted in November when more than 12,000 writers joined the effort, but the industry was prepared to gear back up quickly.



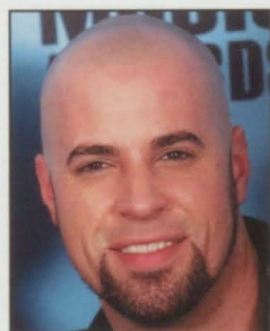
After a global box office of more than \$700 million, "Transformers" sold more than 8.3 million DVDs in the first six days after its release.



Disney/Pixar's "Ratatouille" won the Golden Globe for Best Animated Feature Film and earned five Academy Award nominations.



"The Assassination of Jesse James", starring Brad Pitt, exemplified the Western genre's return to popularity on the big screen.



night shows returned in January. Hosts Conan O'Brien and David Letterman sporting full strike beards.

Fourth place American Idol Chris Daughtry had the top-selling album.

R&B star Akon was Billboard's top pop artist; "Konvicted" spent 30 weeks in the top 30.

NBC remade and launched several '80s prime time hits: "Bionic Woman", "American Gladiators" and "Knight Rider".



In May, 2007, Dale Earnhardt Jr. announced plans to leave his father's legacy, DEI, and race for Hendrick Motorsports in 2008.



April 2007's Final Four brought a second consecutive NCAA title to the Florida Gators when they beat Ohio State, 84-75.



With a 9-3 win over North Carolina, Oregon State became the first team in years to win back-to-back College World Series.



The day after Tiger Woods finished second in the U.S. Open, his wife Elin gave birth to their first child, a daughter named Sam.



The NY Giants won Super Bowl XLII 17-14, thwarting the New England Patriots' hopes of becoming the first team since 1972 to complete an NFL season undefeated. New York QB Eli Manning and his brother Peyton (Indianapolis Colts) became the first brother QBs to lead their teams to back-to-back Super Bowl victories.

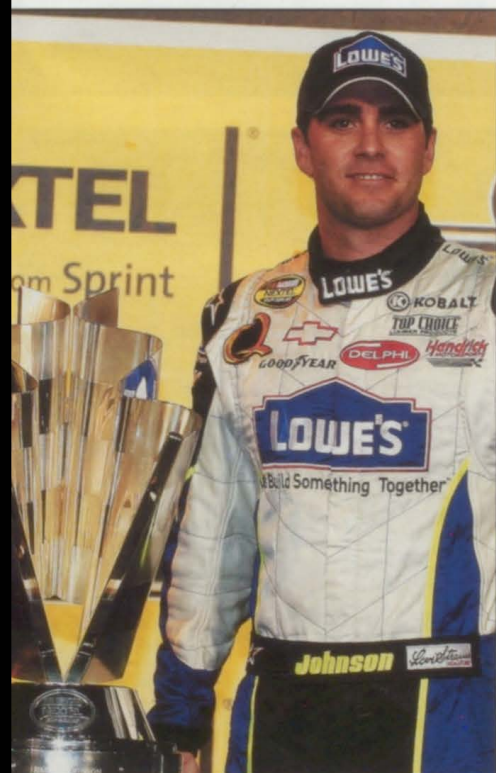
Boston Red Sox celebrated after sweeping the Colorado Rockies with a 4-3 win in Game 4 of the World Series. Sox Pitcher Jon Lester became the third pitcher in MLB history to win the deciding game of a World Series in his first career postseason start.



Candace Parker's 17 points against Rutgers made her the Final Four MVP and earned the Lady Vols a national title.



Californian Shaun White captured the Men's Snowboard Slopestyle honors in the 2007 ESPN Winter X Games in Aspen.



Jeffrey Johnson won NASCAR's 2007 Nextel Cup, his first in as many years — after winning 10 individual races from coast to coast.

SPORTS



Florida QB Tim Tebow is the first underclassman to win the Heisman Trophy.



The team from Warner Robins, GA won the Little League World Series over Japan.



Venus Williams won her fourth Wimbledon title beating France's Marion Bartoli, 6-4, 6-1.

Controversy surrounding Atlanta Falcon quarterback Michael Vick's dogfighting operation in Surry County, VA continued past his July guilty plea and December sentencing to 23 months in prison.

New York Yankee Roger Clemens, a seven-time Cy Young Award winner with 354 career wins, disputed the claims of his former trainer who reported he injected Clemens with steroids.

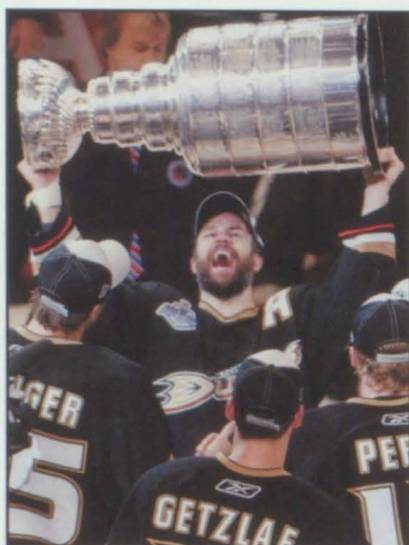
Olympian Marion Jones was sentenced to six months in prison for lying about her use of steroids and involvement in a check-fraud scam.

Ex-NBA referee Tim Donaghy pleaded guilty to conspiracy to commit wire fraud and transmitting betting info across state lines.

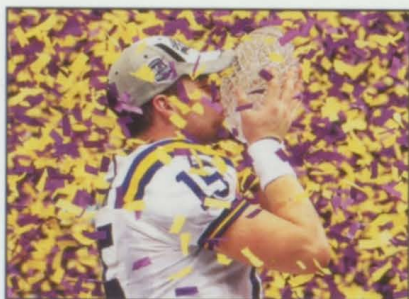
Bobby Knight, the winningest coach in college basketball with 902 victories, resigned abruptly from his head coaching responsibilities at Texas Tech in February. Knight will be succeeded by his son, Pat.

A number of sports greats passed away this year; these included SF 49's coach Bill Walsh, MLB pitcher Rod Beck and figure skater Christopher Bowman. In addition, Washington Redskins safety Sean Taylor was shot and killed in a home invasion.

In one of the greatest upsets in college football, Appalachian State surprised Michigan 43-32 in Ann Arbor.



The Anaheim Ducks crushed the Ottawa Senators 6-2 earning the state of California its first Stanley Cup.

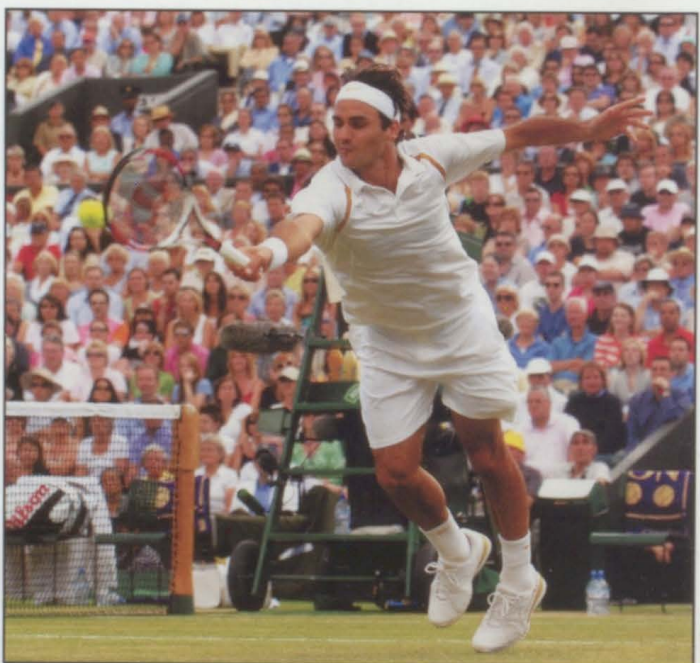
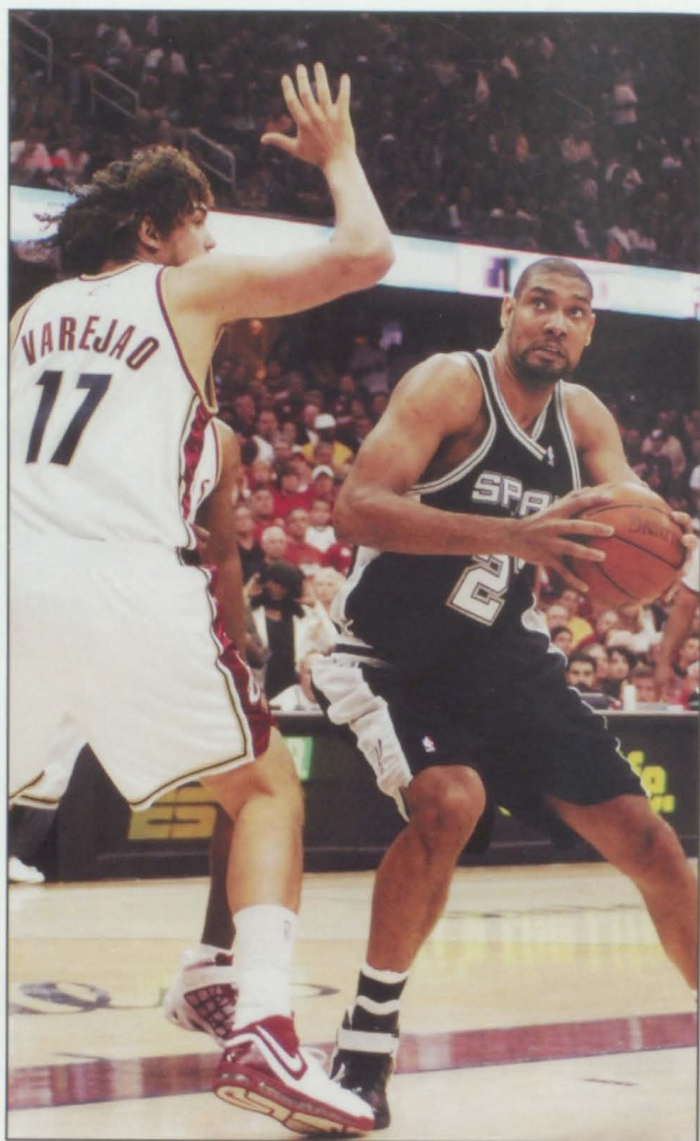


The LSU Tigers became the first team to win a second BCS title with a 38-24 championship win over Ohio State.

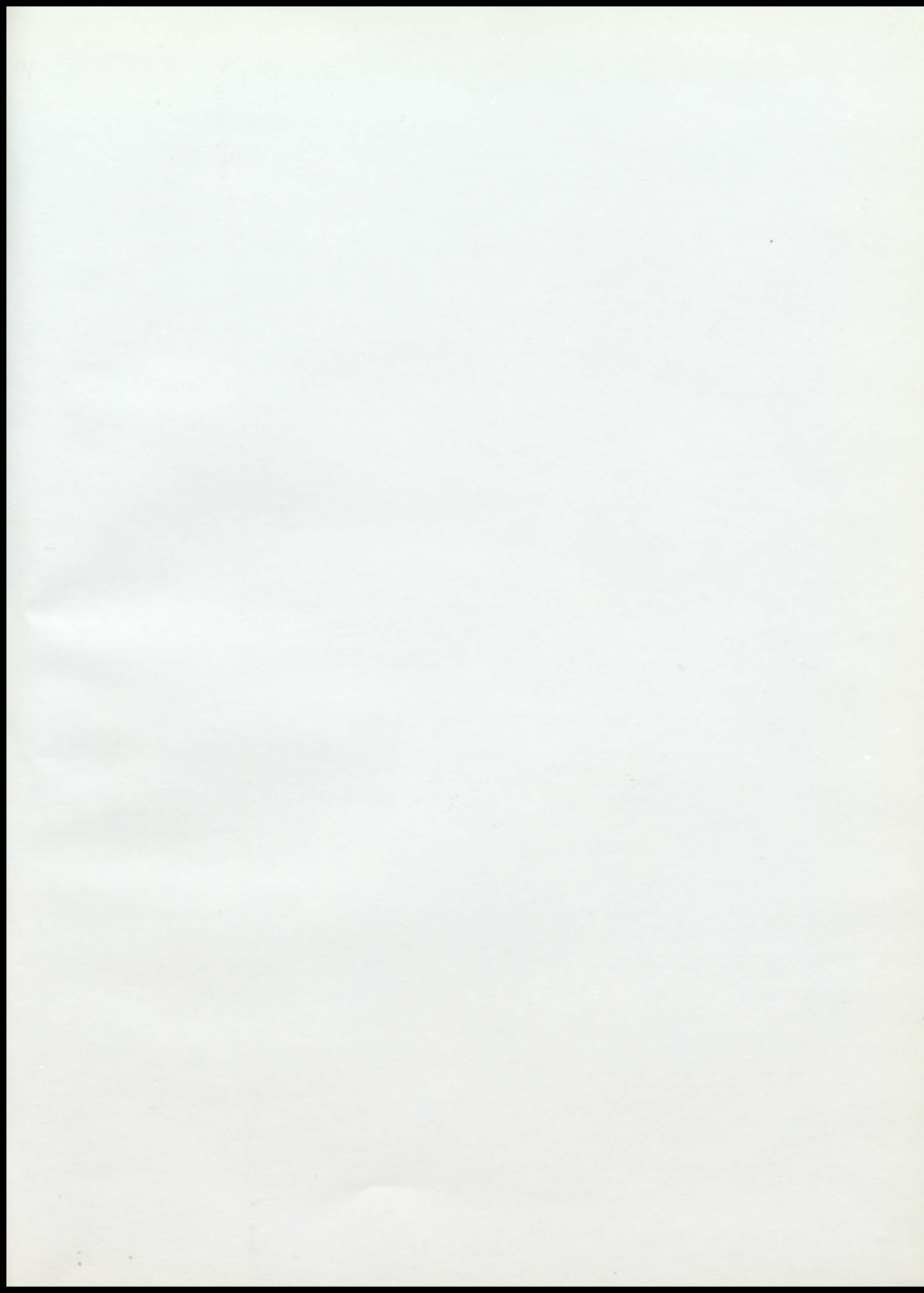


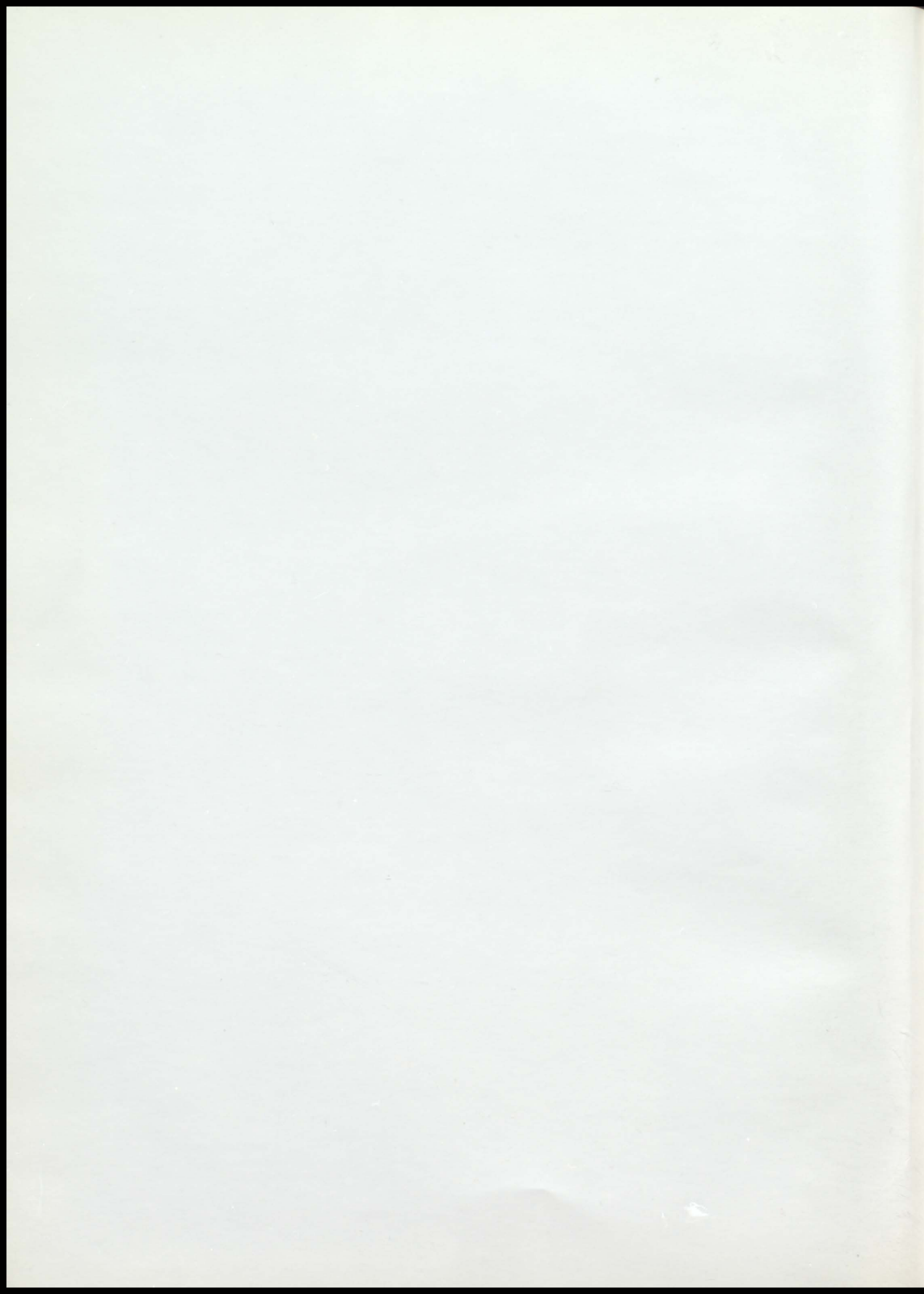
Top-ranked Lorena Ochoa became the fastest LPGA player ever to earn \$10 million.

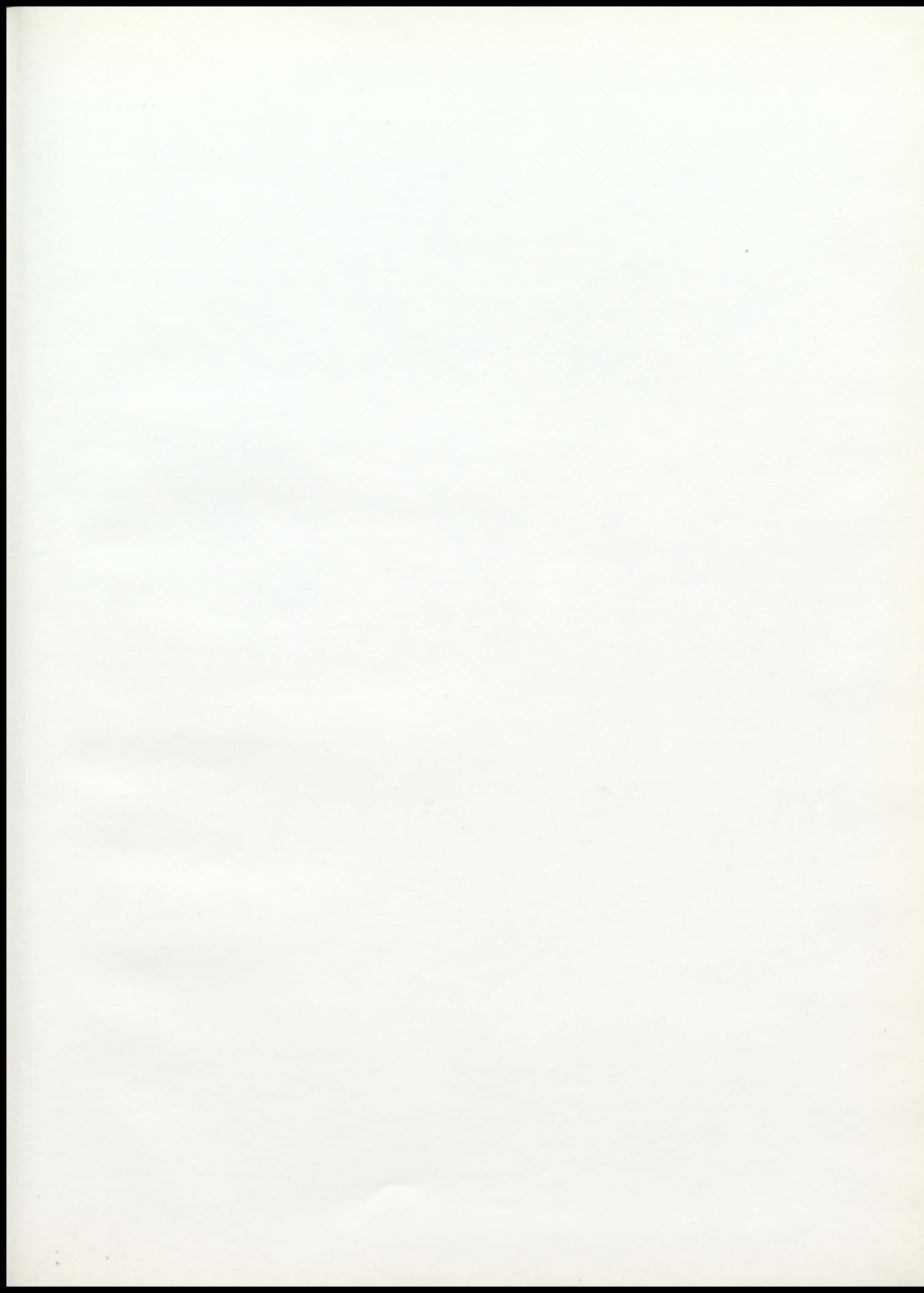
When the San Antonio Spurs swept Cleveland in an 83-82 finale, they became the fourth NBA team to win four titles. The Spurs joined the Boston Celtics, the LA Lakers and the Chicago Bulls at that level.

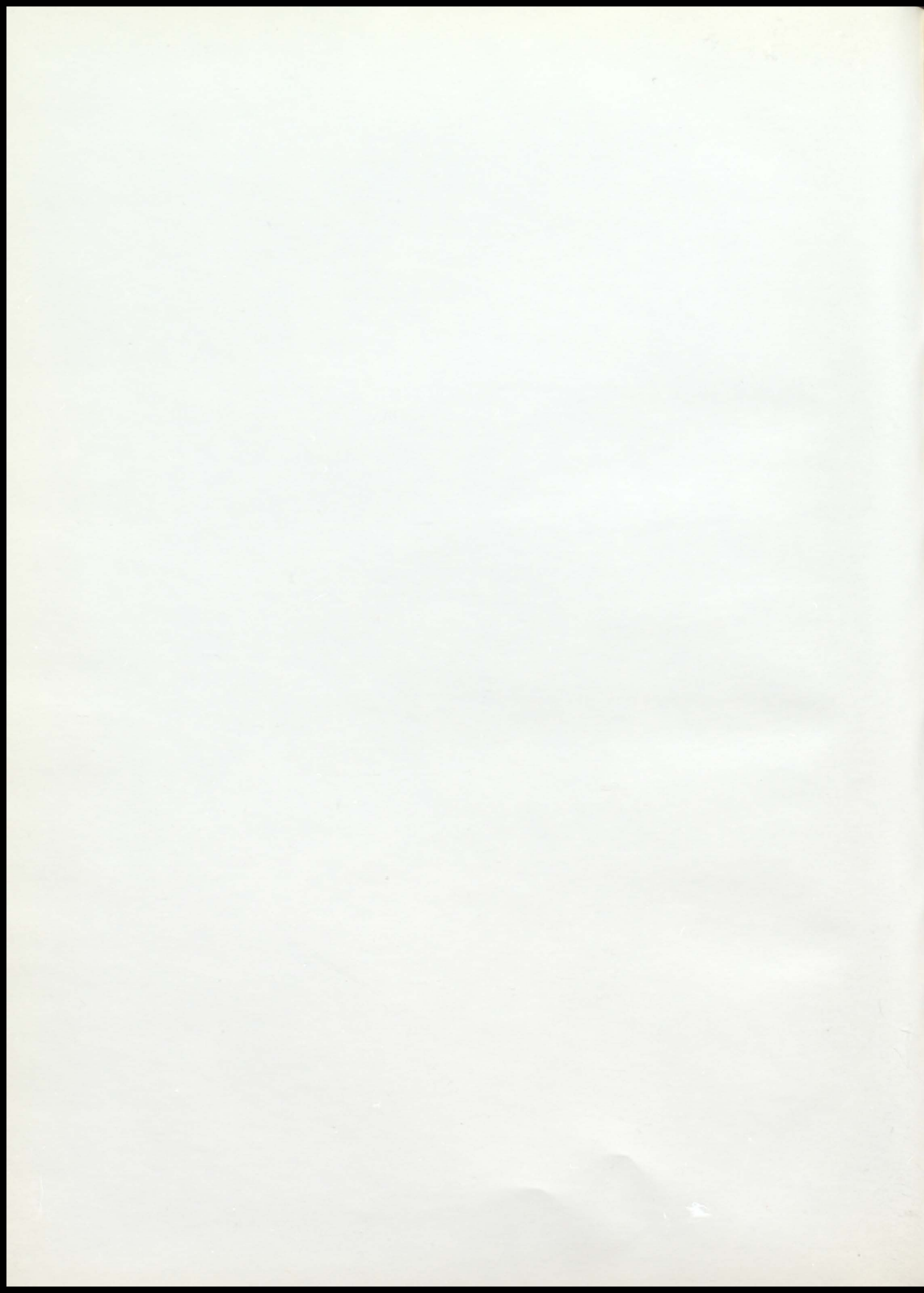


Roger Federer won his fifth consecutive Wimbledon crown in July, but not without drama. After his fifth set with Spain's Rafael Nadal, Federer clinched his twelfth Grand Slam title since 2003.

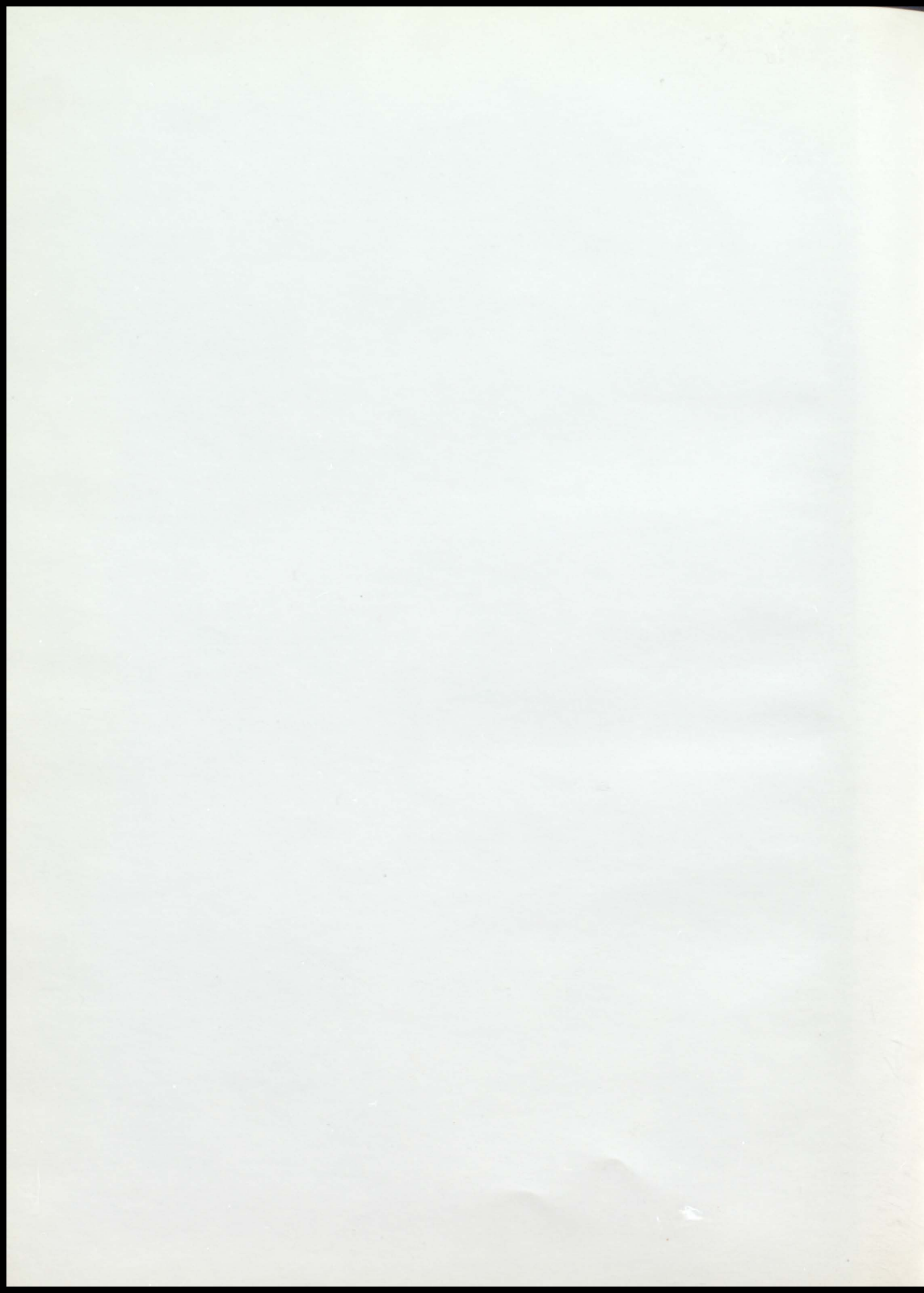




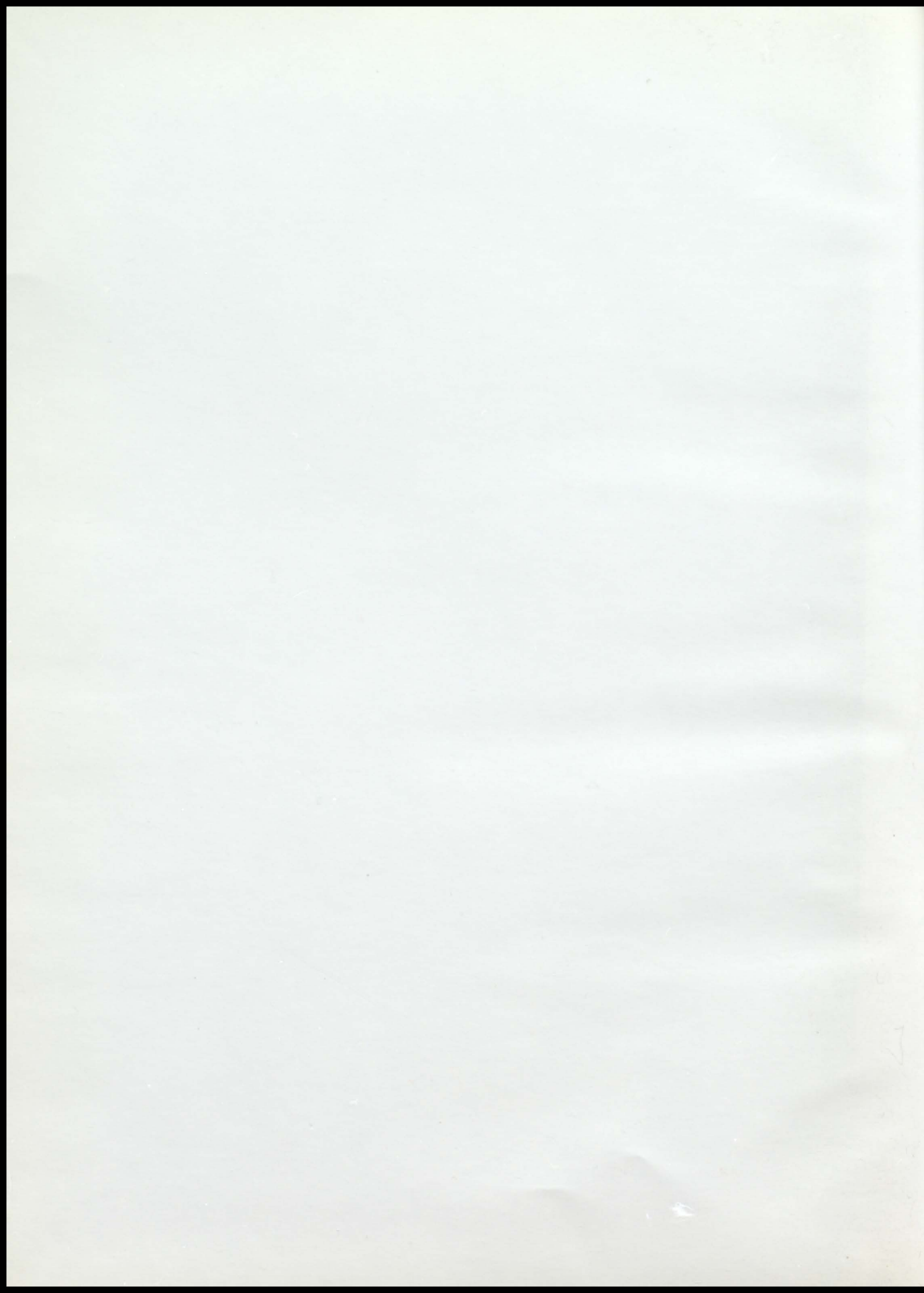


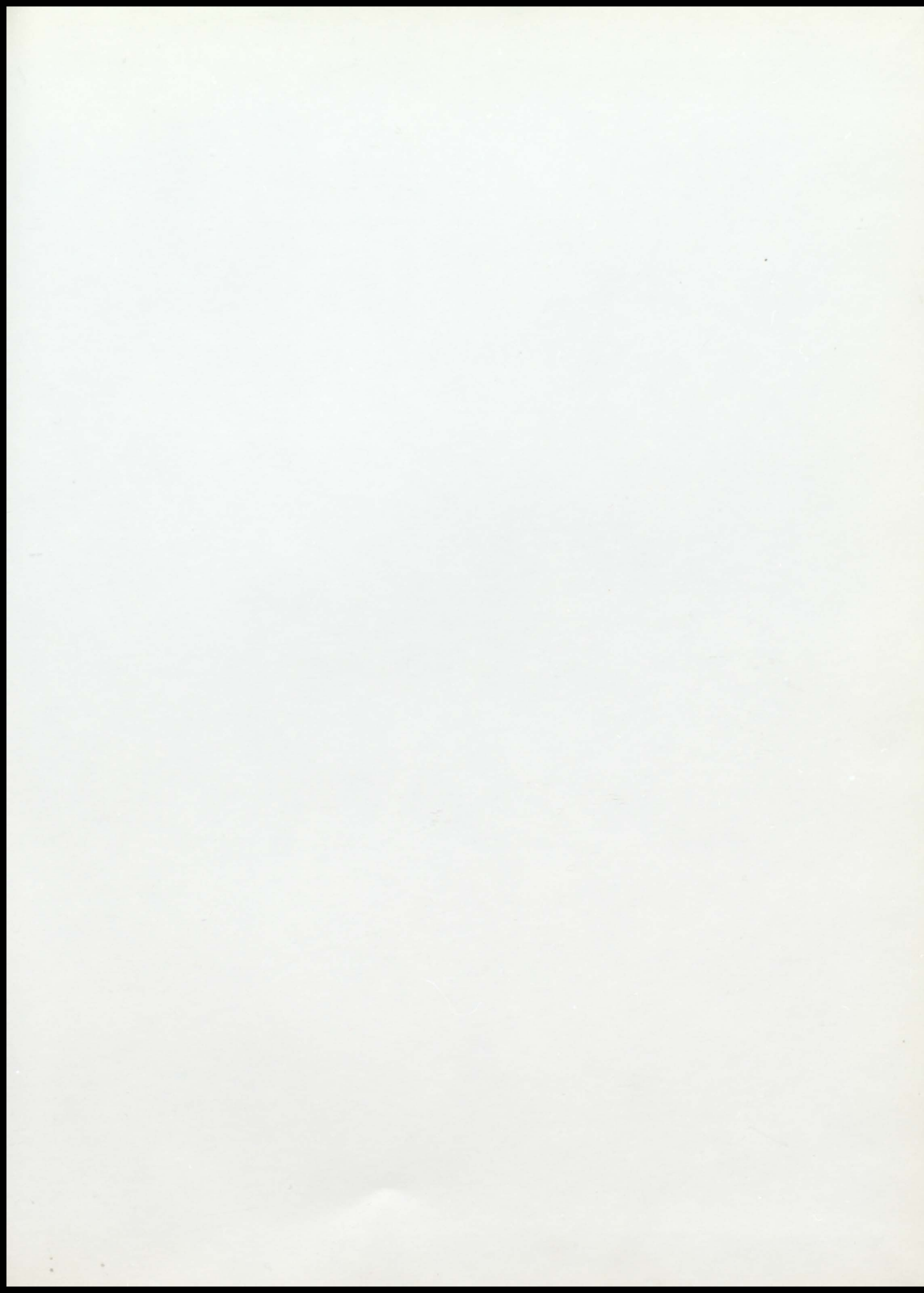


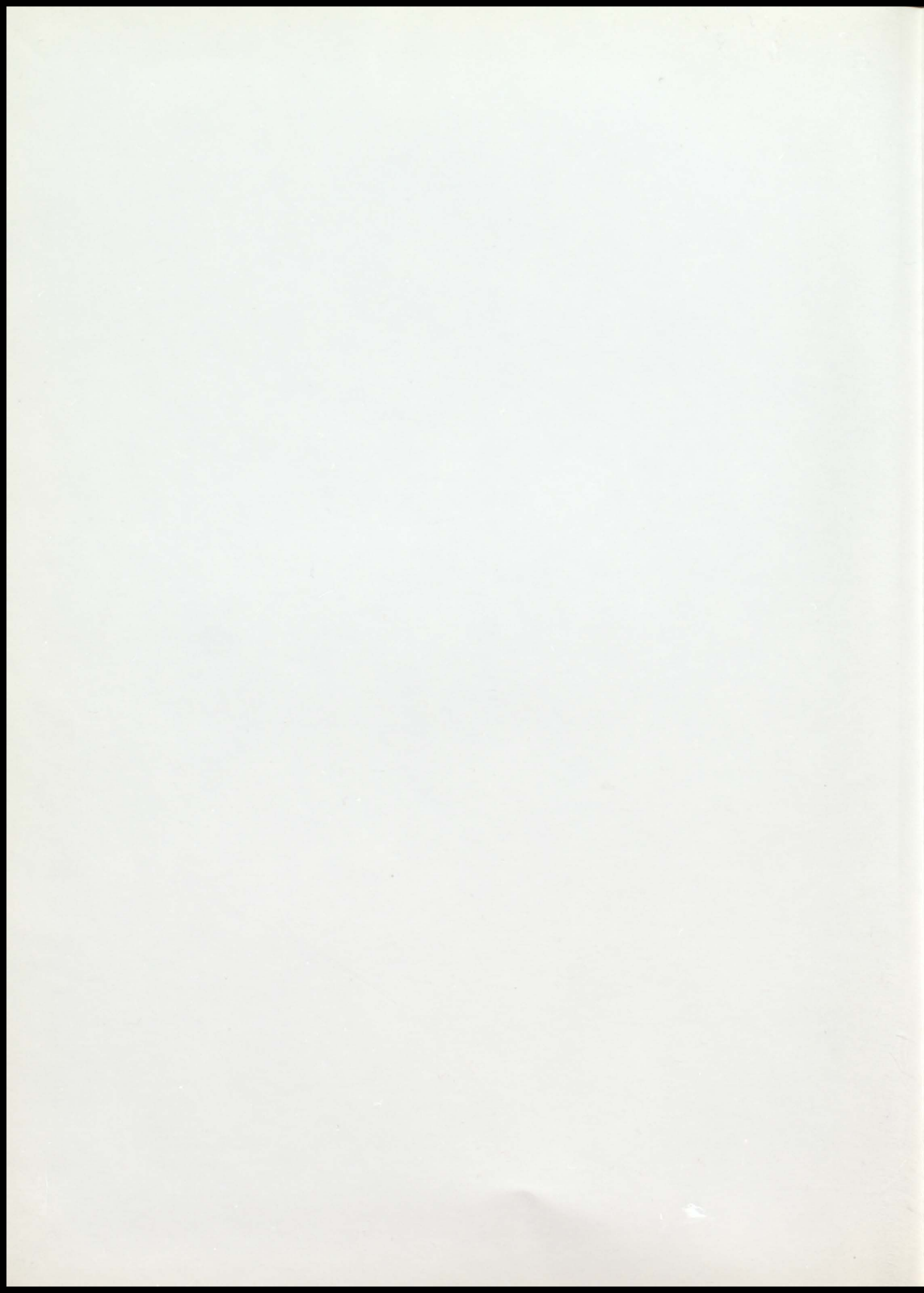


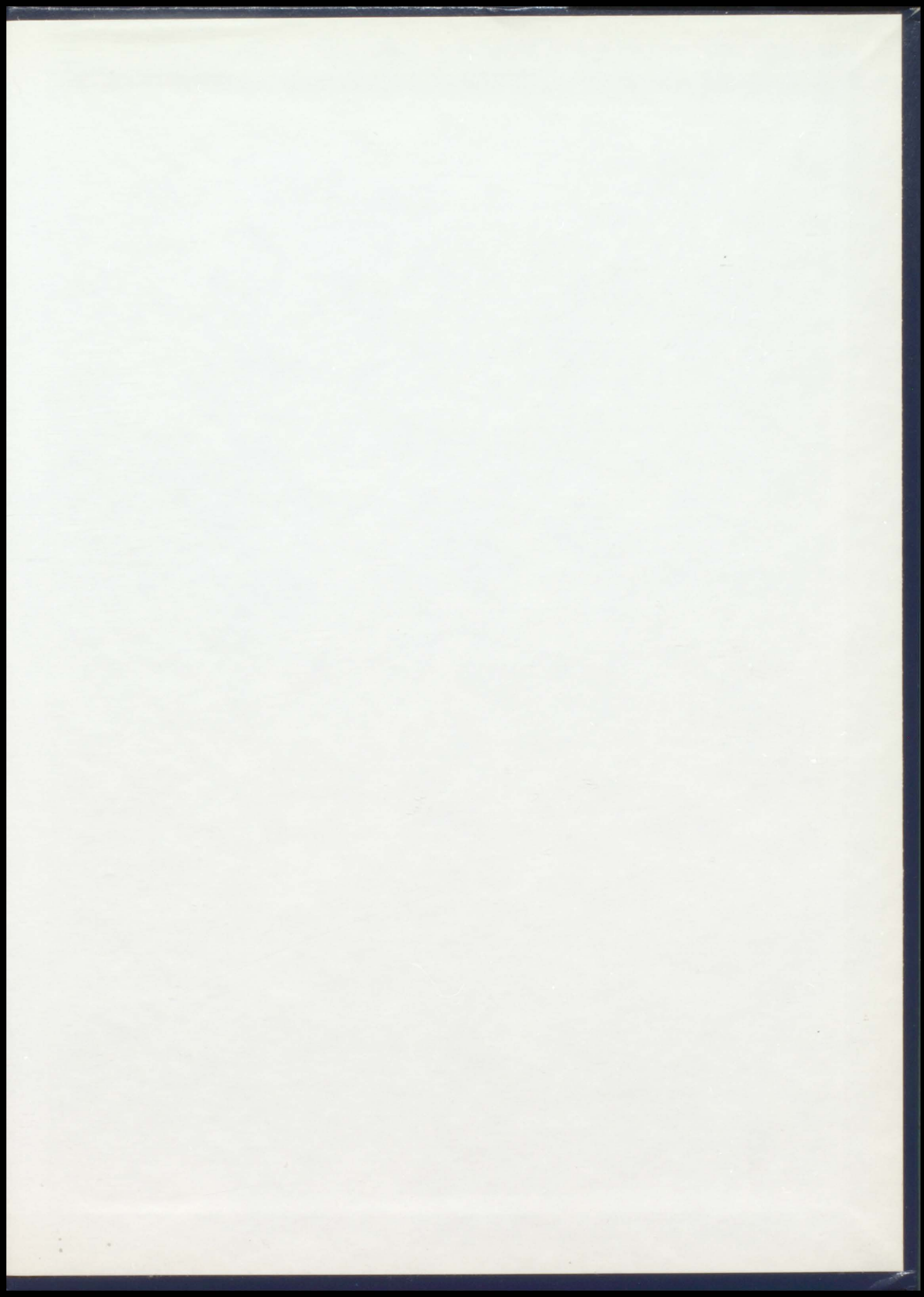












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